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## ABSTRACT

This resource manual for American Indians and Alaska Natives with significant disabilities lists sources of independent living information and resources available within tribal, state, and federal organizations. The first section defines independent living in the context of this population and introduces state level services, mechanisms for obtaining services, Centers for Independent Living, Independent Living Services, and eligibility. The second section explains four core independent living services: (1) information and referral, (2) individual and systems advocacy, (3) peer counseling, and (4) independent living skills training. The next section briefly describes other independent living services, such as housing services, counseling services, and mobility training. Next, results of a survey of 28 nurses in five states concerning independent living services provided by public health nurses are reported. Other information presented includes: (1) a description of the roles of the community health representative and the President's Committee State Liaison, (2) a listing of 23 videotapes and publications, (3) a listing of toll-free numbers for disability-related agencies, and (4) definitions of independent living terms. The bulk of the manual is a directory of service providers organized by state. (DB)

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## **INTRODUCTION**

This *Resource Manual* was prepared by the American Indian Rehabilitation Research and Training Center (AIRRTC) at Northern Arizona University. The purpose of compiling this information is to help American Indians and Alaska Natives with significant disabilities increase their awareness of independent living information and resources that are available to them within local tribal, state and federal organizations.

This resource manual is the first part of a research project which has the goal of developing training and outreach programs to enhance the delivery of independent living services to American Indians and Alaska Natives. This project is being guided by an advisory committee, which includes five American Indians and one Alaskan Native (Appendix A). The advisory committee members assisted in collecting information for this resource manual. We are grateful for the information which they have supplied.

We hope that American Indians and Alaska Natives with disabilities, rehabilitation paraprofessionals and professionals, the staff of independent living centers and medical rehabilitation facilities will find this resource manual useful.

## INDEPENDENT LIVING

### What Does it Mean for American Indians and Alaska Natives?

Independent Living (IL) is "The right of people with disabilities to control and direct their own lives and to participate actively in society" (Thayer and Rice, 1990, 10). In American Indian and Alaska Native societies it includes the right to attend tribal council meetings and native community gatherings, or participate in family activities. Clay (1992, 43) wrote that,

...the acceptance of individuals with a disability by the Native American community is the ideal of IL philosophy. Each person is treated with respect and dignity. Neither the person's mental nor physical capacity represents the whole person.

The term "to control and direct" one's life means that as individuals with disabilities, when we make cultural and lifestyle choices we should not have to rely on extended family members in making decisions anymore than anyone else does. In everyday activities we should be limited only in the same ways that people without disabilities are limited.

To "participate actively" in society means working, owning a home, raising a family, engaging in leisure and recreational or crafts activities, and participating in all aspects of community life. It also includes having the opportunity to participate, as appropriate, in traditional customs, ceremonies, rituals, and other traditional lifestyles.

Independent living services, Centers for Independent Living, and other independent living programs promote a philosophy of independent living and consumer control, peer support, and self-empowerment advocacy. The philosophy of independent living is to maximize the leadership, empowerment, independence, and productivity of individuals with disabilities into the mainstream society.

### **How Do I Get Involved on a State Level?**

Each state vocational rehabilitation designated state unit (DSU), must jointly work with the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC), write a state plan for independent living (SPIL) to provide independent living services to individuals with disabilities. Because each SILC/DSU develops its own SPIL, states will vary on the types of services that will be provided and how they will be provided and who will provide them. You are encouraged to contact your state SILC to find out when the SILC is scheduled to meet so you can tell them about the types of independent living services needed on your reservation, village, or urban area.

### **How Do I Get Services?**

First, find out where the nearest state vocational rehabilitation office or Center for Independent Living (see pages 46-214) is. Also, there may be other people and organizations who provide independent living services in your state that you can contact. Then get ready before you call. Here are some tips for you to think about before contacting these organizations:

- ❖ If you need help, but do not know what may work best for you, a Center for Independent Living or other IL services provider is there to help you figure out what works best for you.
- ❖ The first time you call, you will probably be asked a lot of questions, such as your name, address, who suggested that you call them, what your disability is, and what types of services you want. They will be trying to figure out if they can provide the services you need, or if another resource can provide those services. If they ask you to call someone else, don't get discouraged.
- ❖ When you have been found eligible for independent living services, you may ask that an Independent Living Plan be developed or, if you consider it unnecessary, you may waive it. Both you and the service provider have to agree to the ILP, which outlines the services you will get to assist you to become independent. If you have difficulty understanding English, you can ask to have it translated into your tribal language. Also, your ILP can be provided by another method such as large print, Braille, tape recording, and so on.
- ❖ Independent living services are provided to help increase or maintain your independent living, such as getting dressed, cooking, eating, doing useful things around your house, shopping, continuing and / or maintaining employment, and so on.
- ❖ Please remember that things can take a long time to happen. Be persistent.

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- ❖ When an appointment is scheduled, get ready ahead of time. When you make the appointment, plan transportation ahead of time, if you don't have a vehicle. If you have trouble finding transportation, let your IL service provider know. They may be able to help.
- ❖ Keep in touch with your IL service provider. Let her or him know how things are going and what problems, if any, you are having. Remember, when in doubt, ask questions!

### **What is a Center for Independent Living?**

A Center for Independent Living (CIL) or Center, is a consumer-controlled, community-based, non-residential, advocacy and service organization designed and operated within a local community by people with disabilities to provide an array of IL services. Their goal is to empower people with all types of disabilities to live more independently. Centers have to provide independent living core services, which are described on page 7-10. They may also offer other independent living services like those described on pages 11-21. Services offered will vary from program to program.

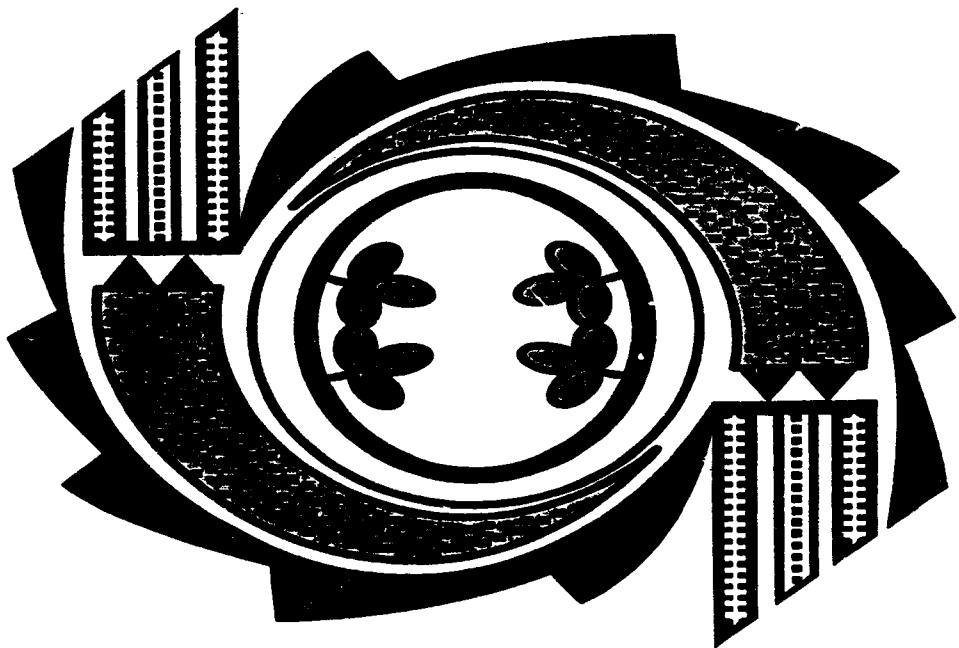
### **What are Independent Living Services?**

Independent Living services (IL) are designed to enhance the ability of persons with disabilities to live independently, to function within their family and community, and if appropriate, to secure and maintain employment.

**Who is Eligible for  
Independent Living Services?**

Anyone with a significant physical, mental, cognitive or sensory disability who can benefit from services to become more independent in their home and / or community may be eligible. A staff member of the service provider will document eligibility consistent with the service provider's policy on eligibility determination. Any individual may request information about IL services under the CIL programs and state IL services and request referral to other services and programs for individuals with significant disabilities.

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## Four Core Independent Living Services

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## **Four Core INDEPENDENT Living SERVICES**

### **What are the Four Core Services?**

The four core services must be made available to individuals with disabilities in each state, including reservations and villages. The four core services are:

- ♦ Information and referral
- ♦ Peer Counseling
- ♦ Individual and systems advocacy
- ♦ Independent living skills training

### **Information and Referral**

Information services help people with significant disabilities to find out what services are available to help them live more independently. Referral services help them find out where they can get those services, and how to get them. The information and referral services are available from the state and local Centers. If you need this kind of information, ask your service provider. You should provide feedback to the service provider about how well these services meet your needs.

## **Individual and Systems Advocacy**

Sometimes we need help from someone who knows how to get the services we need. That's what an advocate does. They enhance self-advocacy skills (personal assertiveness and confidence which can enhance communication between you and a service provider). The central themes of the advocacy is to promote consumer control and self-reliance. Training on advocacy is usually provided to consumers by centers. It would be a good idea for you to attend this training to learn about the independent living philosophy, the four core services, and your rights as a person with a disability. Your service provider can also advocate for you, for example, getting services from another organization that is either denying services to you or not returning your phone calls. Advocacy helps empower you by showing you how to work for change in your environment.

Another organization that offers information and advice and helps you to understand the many services that are available under the Rehabilitation Act, as amended (Act), is the Client Assistance Programs (CAPs). They are a federally mandated advocacy program which is designed to assist, free of charge, individuals who are seeking or receiving services under the Act. CAPs are able to pursue legal, administrative, or other appropriate remedies to protect your rights in receiving services that are funded under the Act. (Example: State Vocational Rehabilitation Service Agencies: both general and blind, centers, community based programs, and some recreational facilities.) It also provides information about the services and benefits available under the Act to any individual with a disability.

Individuals who generally contact CAPs are those who are dissatisfied with the services they are receiving; those who are concerned about their relationship with their service providers; those whose

cases have been closed and who want to be reconsidered for services; those who are having difficulty finding services and would like other resources; those who have questions regarding procedures, evaluations, services, or programs; those who have been recently disabled and are wondering how to apply for services; and those who are just not sure what to do. (Source: Cheryl Cochran, Program Coordinator, New Jersey, Department of Public Advocate)

#### **Peer Counseling**

This service emphasizes the direct involvement of persons with disabilities as role models or peer mentor. A peer counselor or peer advocate is a person who has achieved a desired level of independence and community integration. They can share knowledge and experiences with you. This concept can include the idea that a "peer" not only has a disability, but also has a similar cultural background and reservation or village living situation. Also, if the native peer counselor speaks the same native language as you, it may help you understand tribal views of your disability and how that relates to extended family values.

#### **Independent Living Skills Training**

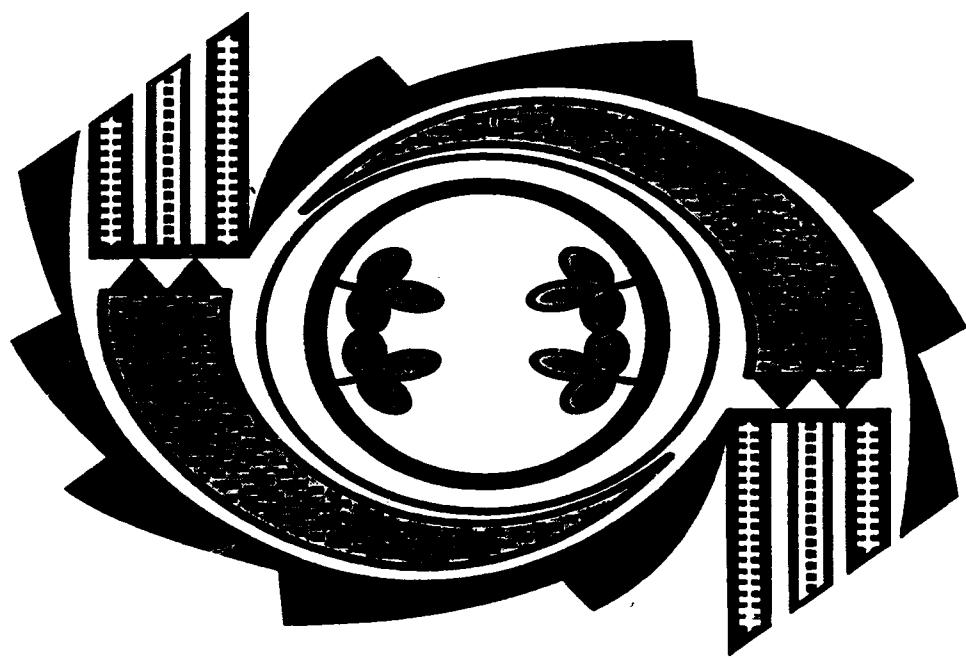
Independent living skills training involves instruction to develop independent living skills in areas such as personal care, coping skills, financial management, social skills, and household management.

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## Other Independent Living Services

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## **OTHER INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES**

There are many other independent living services listed in the Rehabilitation Act; a complete list is found in Appendix B. No one Center for Independent Living or program has to provide all of these services. Keep in mind that services will vary depending on the service provider. All centers have to provide the four core services listed in the previous section (pages 7-10). Some of the independent living services listed in Appendix B that are of special interest to American Indians / Alaska Natives are described at greater length on the following pages.

### **Housing Services**

This service is important to help in making homes accessible, barrier-free, or modifications of any space used to serve, or occupied by, individuals with significant disabilities. If financial assistance is needed, contact the tribal housing authority, HUD or IL service providers to make a home accessible. Awareness on specific measurements for doorways, wheelchair ramps, or placement of a grab bar, is needed. The following information by Dr. Michael Jones with the Research and Training Center for Accessible Housing describes specific designs and measurements (Center for Accessible Housing, '993, p 8). If there are any questions or problems, please call Dr. Jones at (800) 647-6777.

## **AWARENESS ON STANDARD ACCESSIBLE FEATURES**

<b>ENTRANCES</b>	<b>BATHROOMS</b>	<b>KITCHEN</b>
❖ Level clear floor area both inside and outside of the door to provide maneuvering space	❖ Hand-held shower head	❖ Counter adjustable from 30" to 36"
❖ 36" wide doors	❖ Lever handle faucets	❖ Loop cabinet handles and drawer pulls
❖ Lever handle on doors	❖ Offset controls in tub/shower	❖ 5'x5' diameter turning circle
	❖ Reinforced walls to accommodate grab bars	❖ Dual lever faucet controls that permit easy manipulation of the flow of water and regulate water temperature
<b>GENERAL INTERIOR FEATURES</b>		
❖ Electrical outlets 18" above floor	❖ 5'x5' diameter turning circle	
❖ Thermostats/controls 44" above the floor	❖ Dual lever faucet controls that permit easy manipulation of the flow of water and regulate water temperature	
❖ Light switches 38" above floor, rocker light switches		
❖ 42" clearance in hallways		
❖ 32" wide doors		
❖ Lever handle on doors		
❖ Window sills between 18" and 36" above the floor		
❖ Smooth dense floor coverings for easy maneuvering		
❖ Additional electrical outlets in bedrooms to accommodate assistive devices		

## Entrance Approach

### **Ramp Slope**

The maximum slope of a ramp should be the ratio of 1 in 12. For example, a ramp installed to provide access to a floor level 18" above the ground would need to be at least 18' long.

### Entrance Approach

### **Ramp Landings**

Landing platforms are necessary at the top and bottom of all ramp segments. The platforms are required by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS) to be at least 5'-0" long by the width of the ramp. If ramps change direction, the platform must be at least 5'-0" by 5'-0". Platforms must be level except for a minimum slope to allow water to run off. Landing platforms at doors should be larger than 5'-0" by 5'-0" to allow ample maneuvering space at the door.

## Entrance Approach

### **Ramp Width**

The minimum clear width for ramps is 3'-0" according to the ANSI and UFAS standards. 3'-0" is extremely narrow and requires precise control of wheelchairs on a sloping surface which is difficult for some people to manage. 4'-0" is recommended as a minimum clear width to allow more maneuvering space. A 4'-0" width will allow one wheelchair user and one walking person to pass. 5'-0" clear width will permit easier two-way traffic.

### Entrance Approach

### **Ramp Length**

The maximum length of a single ramp segment between level platforms is 30' for steeper slopes (1 in 16 to the maximum slope of 1 in 12), and 40' for lesser slopes (1 in 20 to 1 in 16). Length of ramp segments is limited because many people do not have the stamina to climb longer distances and need a level area to rest. Subtle differences in the definitions of sloping walks and ramps occur between UFAS and ANSI.

## **Transportation**

This service provides assistance in securing or arranging transportation. Some examples of this type of service include: transportation allowance /costs; vehicle modifications/repair, taxi or bus fare; bicycles; parking decals /permits; special auto insurance; driver's education; and moving expenses. The most economical mode of transportation available is provided depending on the availability of (a) family members, extended family, friends, etc.; (b) special transportation services from other community agencies, service programs, non-profit organization, etc.; and (c) special bus rates, where applicable. Sometimes local community health representatives (CHRs) on reservations and villages are able to help you by providing transportation to medical appointments.

## **Personal Assistance Services**

Personal Assistance Services (PAS) includes attendant care for you, and the training of personnel, even extended family, to provide PAS. The centers usually provide PAS training. PAS on a reservation or village is often provided by extended family members. Therefore it is important that family members are trained to help you in transferring or bathing. PAS provide several types of services to maintain or increase your daily activities such as assisting with bathing / showering, grooming, shopping or guiding. PAS will vary according to your unique needs and availability of resources.

### **Counseling Services**

Counseling services include, psychological, psychotherapeutic and related services. The general goal of counseling is to help you feel self-confident, have positive mental health, and positive relationships with others. You and your extended family members can also consult with your traditional healer or medicine man for guidance or diagnostic services. This process involves your extended family's time, support and resources and can be beneficial in adjusting to your disability. Counseling services can be sought from the Indian Health Services and tribal counseling services on reservations or villages. In urban areas, the American Indian centers can help you in locating the appropriate resource, if they don't provide such a service.

### **Communication Services**

This service helps you to better communicate, such as interpreter services, tactile interpreter service for deaf/blind individuals, and training in communication equipment such as, Braille training and reading services.

## **Reader Services**

This service provides another person to read written materials aloud to you. Reader services may be made available if you need this type of service. A bilingual interpreter who can translate information that is written in English can be provided, if you desire information in your tribal language.

## **Mobility Training**

If you are visually or cognitively impaired, this service can teach you how to travel independently in your home, community, or environment. Some examples are using a guide dog, canes, wheelchairs, public transportation, driving one's car, and walking alone in a city or town. This type of training is usually done in an environment where the teacher makes sure you are safe and where someone is always with you, providing coaching instructions. Sometimes the teacher takes you to a real-life environment to work on these skills, such as walking downtown with the teacher, who will give you cues on what to watch out for or listen for.

### **Therapeutic Treatment**

This service provides evaluations, recommendations, treatment and training to restore, maintain, or improve your functional skills. There are several types of therapy services, such as physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, hearing therapy, therapeutic recreation, drama therapy, dance therapy, and art therapy. Traditional crafts activities, such as bead work, making pottery or basket, weaving, tanning hide, etc., can be therapeutic. Services will depend on your need to increase or maintain your independent living skills, and on available resources in your area. Some therapy services require a doctor's prescription, such as physical therapy, speech therapy, and occupational therapy. Unfortunately, not all therapeutic treatments are available on reservations or Native villages.

### **Education and Training**

This type of service is necessary for living in a community and participating in your community activities. This can be coordinated by your IL service provider. This service can help you to live in your home on the reservation or Native village and not be isolated in your home. Some methods for education and training are oral information on community awareness of the needs of natives with disabilities, storytelling, or telling your personal experiences of dealing with a disability.

## **Rehabilitation Technology**

This service provides evaluations, provision of, or assistance to obtain through other sources, adaptive modifications which address the barriers confronted by individuals with significant disabilities with respect to education, rehabilitation, employment, transportation, independent living and / or recreation. Examples include van modifications, installation of hand controls, work station modifications, home repairs, adaptations or renovations, computer adaptations (software and hardware), decoders and other assistive listening devices, signaling devices, and telecommunication devices such as modems and speech synthesizers.

## **Prostheses and Other Appliances and Devices**

This service improves your ability to walk, hear, speak, talk, or see. Services include hearing aids, wheelchairs, canes, braces, crutches, low vision aids, orthopedic shoes, repairing prosthesis, appliances or other devices. A majority of these appliances and devices are not available on reservations or villages, but you may be able to get them in a nearby city with the help of your counselor.

## **Recreational Services**

This service provides interaction with other people in the community and also increases socialization and improving or maintaining physical fitness. Activities can include wheelchair basketball games, bowling, dancing, camping, arts and crafts activities. These activities are usually coordinated to involve community people and promotes accessibility awareness. Centers usually organize such activities in a city or border town. Encourage your service provider to contact a center to organize social and recreational activities in your reservation or village.

## **Youth Services**

The purpose of this training is to develop skills specifically designed for youths (ages 6-17) with significant disabilities, promote self-awareness and self-esteem, develop advocacy and self-empowerment skills, and to explore career options. Your service provider can facilitate training for you as well as involve tribal education, tribal health organization, and parents. Exploring one-on-one occupational choices with youths with disabilities is highly recommended. Role models with disabilities who have various careers and life experiences are often a part of the skills training.

## **SERVICES OF FAMILY MEMBERS**

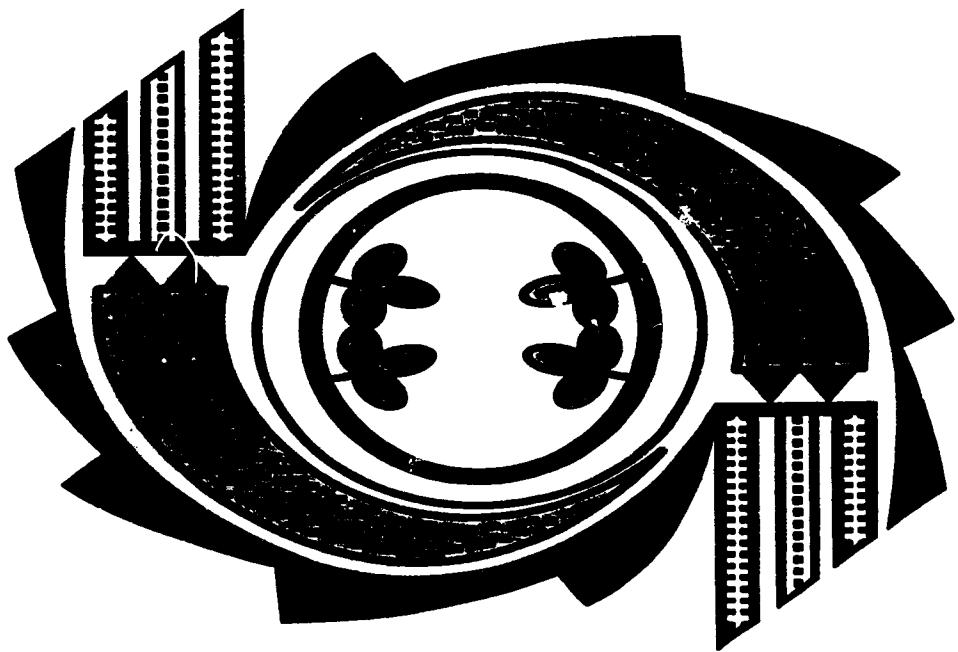
This service is provided to the family members of an individual with significant disabilities when necessary for improving the individuals ability to live and function more independently, or his or her ability to engage or continue in employment. Such family services may include respite care when you are benefitting from IL or vocational rehabilitation services.

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## Public Health Nurses

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## **PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES SURVEY RESULTS**

Last year while doing our survey of Community Health Representatives, one of the respondents asked us if we were also surveying Public Health Nurses (PHNs), expressing the view that PHNs deliver independent living services to American Indians with significant disabilities. We decided to investigate this possibility for this year's revision of the Resource Manual.

Consequently, inquiries were sent to directors of PHNs in Arizona, New Mexico, and South Dakota, asking them to help us identify PHNs to participate in our survey. While not nationally comprehensive, the idea here was to judge, by means of a limited sample, whether PHNs are an important resource to American Indians seeking independent living services. In brief, even though our sample is small, we found that the answer is, "Yes"!

We received 28 responses from PHNs in five states: Arizona (8), New Mexico (5), North Dakota (9), South Dakota (2), and Nebraska (1). We received responses from more than one PHN at several service locations. When this happened, all responses from a single service location were pooled and counted as one. Some PHNs in North Dakota and Nebraska were sent surveys by their regional offices to complete the surveys. We asked, "How many American Indians with disabilities have received services from your service unit during the past year?" Less than half of the respondents were able to provide a specific number. Estimates ranged from 2 to 1800, with a mean of 327 and a median between 20 and 31. One respondent commented that:

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"It is impossible to get an exact figure on the number of people with disabilities seen through [our] service unit as the computer program doesn't break these statistics out and we do not have a physical therapy program where we can determine numbers from referrals. The rough estimate given is based upon the activities of four Public Health Nurses who are required to see a minimum of 100 clients per month--approximately half of whom are perceived as having disabilities. This figure does not even include those that are seen by hospital personnel--although many of our visits are a result of referrals sent to us by [the] medical staff."

Most of the service units were funded primarily by IHS; one relied primarily on tribal funding and several mentioned other funding sources. We asked them which IL services they provided, giving them a checklist of the IL services authorized in federal legislation. Their responses are tabulated in Table 1. Two of the legally defined "core" IL services rank high on the list: Information and referral services, and individual and systems advocacy. However, the other two core services ranked low: IL skills training, and peer counseling. Transportation, and referral and assistance for transportation, ranked high, as did preventive services. Finally, one PHN commented:

"Diabetes is a major problem on the [x] and [y] reservations, with many of the older diabetics (60 and above) being disabled due to diabetic neuropathy--some with amputations and many others with end stage renal disease or on renal dialysis. Alcoholism leaves many individuals with cognitive impairment or poor vision [which] with some elders interferes enough with their daily activities to render them disabled."

**Table 1 PHIN Survey Results**  
**Independent Living Service (IL Service)**

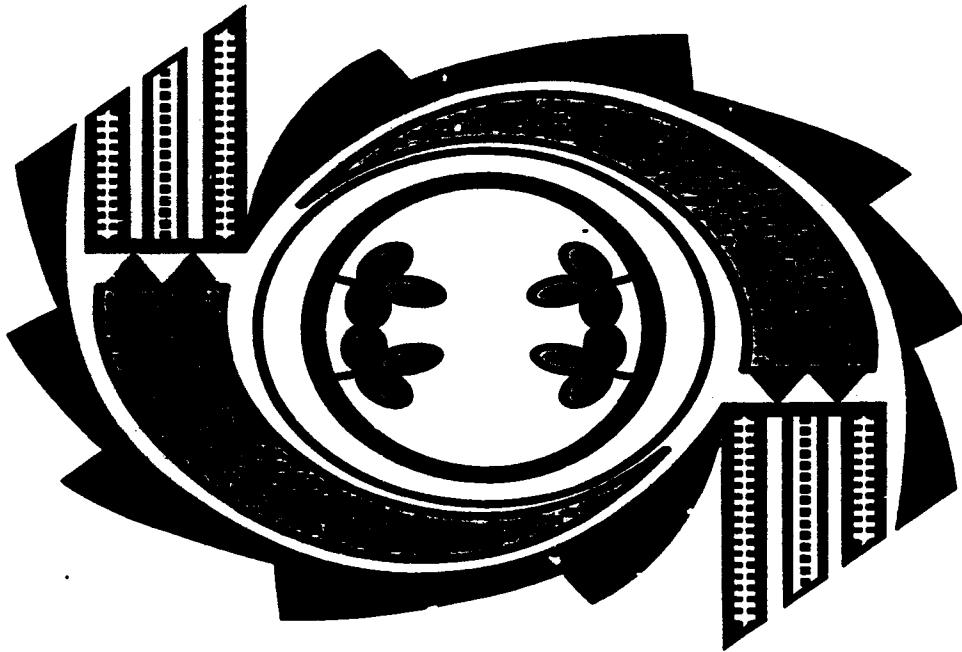
	Number of Respondents providing this service	Percent of Respondents
<b>Information and Referral services (core)</b>	18	100%
<b>Referral and assistance for transportation</b>	17	94%
<b>Preventive services</b> (To decrease the need for similar services in the future)	15	83%
<b>Housing Services</b> (Including services related to adaptive housing services, and appropriate accommodations and modifications)	12	67%
<b>Individual and Systems Advocacy (core)</b>	11	61%
<b>Rehabilitation Technology</b> (Provision of, or assistance to obtain through other sources, adaptive modifications which address the barriers confronted by the individuals with significant disabilities with respect to education, rehabilitation, employment, transportation, independent living, and/or recreation)	11	61%
<b>Counseling</b>	11	61%
<b>Transportation</b>	10	56%
<b>Personal Assistance services</b> (Including attendant care and the training of personnel providing such services)	10	56%

<b>Provision of prostheses and other appliances and devices</b>	10	56%
<b>Community awareness programs</b> (To enhance the understanding and integration in society of individuals with disabilities)	8	44%
<b>Therapeutic treatment</b> (Services provided by registered occupational, physical, recreational, or speech therapists.)	8	44%
<b>Maintaining registries</b> (Includes activities related to creating and maintaining directories for personal assistants, recreation opportunities, accessible transportation, accessible housing, and other support services)	7	39%
<b>Mobility Training</b>	6	33%
<b>JL Skills training</b> (core)	6	33%
<b>Physical Rehabilitation</b>	4	22%
<b>Peer counseling</b> (Including cross-disability peer counseling) (core)	3	17%
<b>Interpreter and Reader services</b>	3	17%
<b>Services training for individuals with cognitive and sensory disabilities</b>	3	17%
<b>Life skills training</b> (JL skills training, and interpreter and reader services for individuals with cognitive and sensory disabilities)	3	17%

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ROLE OF THE  
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HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE

## **ROLE OF THE COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE**

We stand as advocates for HEALTH,  
Our families may be on food stamps  
and lacking wealth—  
It's not the compensation that counts  
(although we deserve a raise).  
but the WELFARE of our people.

We work for YOU  
in this job where PEOPLE count the most.  
We listen to your needs to learn  
what activities to host.  
Whether it's animal control, baby bottle tooth decay, or flu,  
raising your health status is our goal for you.

We work with elders and the young,  
trying to mend the link that's long been undone.  
Planting the seeds of healthful tradition  
for unborn generations.

Every day we strive  
to show our people WE CAN DO MORE THAN DRIVE.  
With all our training, we should have a college degree!  
but as CHRs we'll always be at one with our community.

Although at times things get rough,  
In this job, you gotta be tough—  
...At the grassroots...on the front line...  
*Out there where the rubber meets the road...*  
Meeting the challenge with a smile  
and the faith that it's all worthwhile.

So if at times we don't succeed,  
or stumble in finding solutions to your need,  
Remember to err is human,  
and to forgive should be Tribal policy.

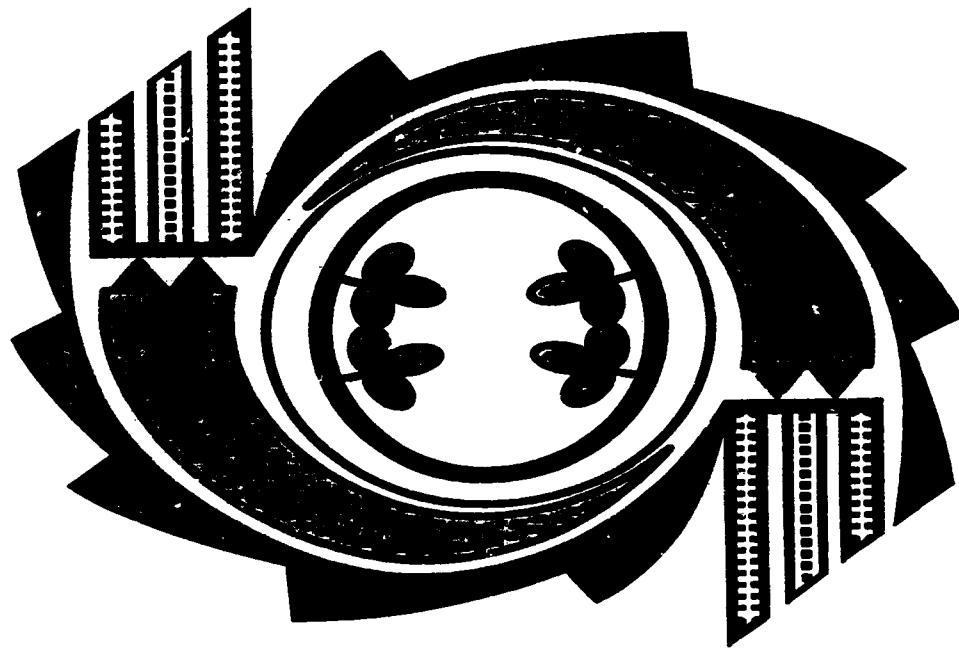
Each day we share what we know with others  
(except information covered by the Privacy Act),  
for these are our sisters, and these are our brothers.  
Together we work, to build our community—  
There's no such thing as too much advocacy!

To make life better for all of us,  
our answer lies there.

He gives blessings for all to share,  
There are many good things in this life for us all,  
So let us work together—

Anonymous

President's Committee  
State Liason



## **President's Committee State Liaison**

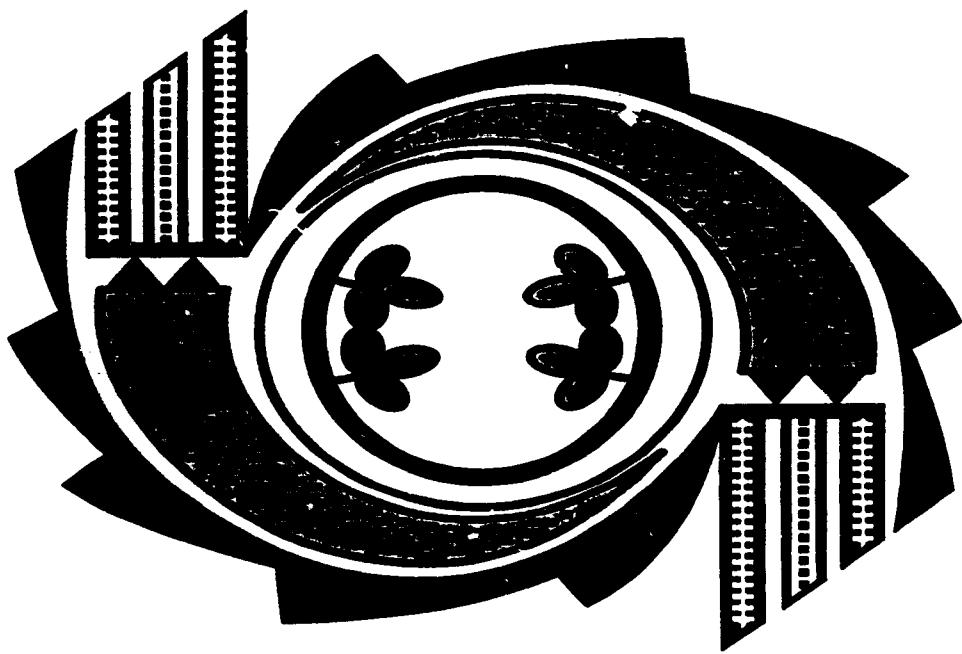
A Governor's Committee (or similar counterpart) exists in each state and serves as a liaison to the President's Committee from that state. The members of these committees are usually volunteers appointed by the state's Governor and the committee's mission is determined either by an Executive Order or state statute.

Although the structure, composition, and names vary (committee, commission, council, alliance, board, or office) from state to state, all promote equal employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Many of these Governor's Committees provide information and referral to employees, service provider's, state agencies, legislators, people with disabilities, and the general public. They also assist city and county committees in the promotion of opportunities for individuals with disabilities.

Each state's Committee has a State Liaison. As you plan your program for National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM), you may have questions or need resources. Your State Liaison is the person to call. They are also a good source to obtain speakers for NDEAM activities. Contact the State Liaison for information about NDEAM activities in your state (see pages 46-214).

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Independent Living  
Videotapes and Publications  
on American Indians

## VIDEOTAPES

### *Road to Independence*

Transportation and independence for elders: a universal need. This is a story of how that need is being met by the Chickasaw Nation and Delaware Tribe of Oklahoma and how it might apply to other areas. (14 Min.)

Rental \$45      Sales \$200

### *Ours to Care For*

Emphasizes the special importance of good nutrition during pregnancy for the contemporary Native American woman, in the context of her rich cultural heritage. (6 min.)

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Order either of the above videos from:

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538 G Street  
Arcata, CA 95521  
(707) 822-5334

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### *Mending Spirits*

This powerful documentary features several young Native people who are at various stages in their adaptation to traumatic injury or congenital disability. The tragic theme of alcoholism and drug abuse is woven into many of their stories.

Mack Johnson, an accomplished Navajo artist who became paralyzed (quadriplegia) at age 23, depicts his injury and subsequent recovery from substance abuse and despair as "a good thing, a very good thing." Rhonda Williams, a member of the Shoshone-Paiute tribe who was injured at the age of 16, describes motherhood from the perspective of the wheelchair. Others tell their moving personal accounts of pain and triumph as they confront the most critical issues of life, issues such as marriage, spirituality, relationships with parents, independent living, recreation, school, and work.

The program also provides information about new technology and other resources that may have been overlooked by many Native Americans who are faced with disability today. (58 Min.)

\$29.95

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Public Broadcasting, Inc.  
PO Box 14730  
Reno, NV 89507**

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*Ti Ekiye, Finding the Way Home, Mental Illness in Indian Country*

Mental illness is the most misunderstood disease in any community. This is further confused when there is a lack of general understandin' of Native American cultural issues.

This 1 hour documentary contains the current testimony of Native American professionals, parents, and recipients of mental illness services, explaining what the disease is in both medical and cultural contexts, culturally appropriate care, and traditional perspectives.

\$25 plus \$5 shipping and handling

Order from:

**Native American Advocacy Project**  
PO Box 527  
Winner, SD 57580  
(605) 842-3977

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## NARTC Long Term Care Videotape Series

### **Body Mechanics And Transfer Techniques**

Set in a Native American nursing home and using a Native American cast, this videotape emphasizes proper body mechanics to reduce the chance of injury to both care-giver and patient. Equipment demonstrations include the Jed Sled and the Hoyer Lift. An in-service manual is included with the purchase of this videotape. (1987, 23 min.) \$39.95

### **Increasing Independence by Teaching Activities of Daily Living (ADLs)**

Produced at the White Mountain Apache Group Elderly Home in White River, Arizona, this videotape presents a short skit illustrating some of the abuses of the legal rights of long-term disability patients. Instructor Mildred Waldelich, R.N., then presents a brief lecture on the "Patients' Bill of Rights" and answers questions from the audience. Discussions are presented of some of the conflicts that may arise between patients and health-care personnel and the legal implications that may be involved. An in service manual is included with the purchase of the videotape. (1988, 10 min.) \$39.95

### **Patient Rights**

Based on a lecture given to American Indian nursing home personnel by Susan L. Hoppe, OTR/L, this video discusses the role of occupational therapists in the rehabilitation of physically disabled American Indian adults. Adaptive equipment, including inexpensive alternatives, is demonstrated and methods for teaching independence are presented. (1988, 22 min.) \$39.95

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## NARTC Long Term Care Videotape Series

### *Range of Motion, Positioning and Bed Mobility*

Techniques for range of motion exercises, positioning of stroke patients in beds and wheelchairs, and methods of teaching bed mobility are presented from actual patient aide demonstrations. For use as a training resource for nursing personnel, this videotape incorporates an American Indian cast in a Native American nursing home setting. An in service manual is included with the purchase of this videotape.  
(1987, 24 min.) \$39.95

### *Dental Care for the Long-Term Care Patient*

This lecture, given to American Indian nursing home staff by Ronald S. Toeple, D.D.S., incorporates techniques for conducting oral examinations, diagnosing dental lesions, and dispensing dental care to long-term patients.  
(1988, 32 min.) \$39.95

*Culture and Disability*  
The relationship between culture and the perception of disability is discussed by Jennie R. Joe, Ph.D. This presentation is particularly helpful in understanding how cultural differences impact on perception and treatment of disabilities and handicaps. This very interesting and stimulating lecture has been edited with live footage from several southwestern locations, including five American Indian reservations.  
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### Order Videotapes from:

Native American Research and Training Center  
Publications Department  
1642 E. Helen Street  
Tucson, AZ 85719  
(520) 621-5075

### *Family Voices*

This 40-minute documentary, completed in December 1995, highlights the experiences of two families who live on the reservation of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and portrays the families within the context of their American Indian and Appalachian cultures. Throughout the documentary, the families: (a) describe how they have assisted a relative with a disability, (b) describe the impact of the disability on their lives, (c) demonstrate their commitment to the family member and their focus on his assets and positive contributions to the family, (d) discuss their needs for social and emotional support, and (e) discuss their sources of informal support, e.g., religion and recreation, and of formal support, e.g., social services and vocational rehabilitation. Service providers discuss their views of working with families from an American Indian perspective.

Videotape \$20.00

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Northern Arizona University  
PO Box 5630  
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(520) 523-4791**

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### *Bridging the Talent Gap*

Highlights four case histories of creative on-the-job accommodations. The featured individuals include a lawyer who is mobility impaired, a telephone company service representative who is deaf and blind, an aerospace assembly plant worker who is developmentally disabled, and an airline reservation agent who is blind.

Videotape \$25.00 (open captioned)

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President's Committee Job Accommodations Network (JAN)  
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## **Publications**

### ***Native America: Portrait of the Peoples***

America's story begins here — with the culture and history of our indigenous peoples. Their articles cover history, religion, arts, language, and present-day lifeways and issues.

Trace the rich heritage of Native American life, past and present, through crisp, compelling coverage of traditions, rituals, events and institutions from the Trail of Tears to Wounded Knee, from Cochise to Louis Riel, from sandpainting to the repatriation of museum artifacts.

You'll also discover hundreds of biographies of historic and contemporary Native Americans, lists of tribes, maps, tables, and charts. (814 pages, includes 200 photos and line drawings)

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*A Report on a Summary of American Indian/ Alaska Native Independent Living Consumer Data*

March, 1996

Priscilla Lansing Sanderson, M.S., C.R.C.  
Robert M. Schacht, Ph.D.  
Julie Anna Clay, MPH  
George Gotto, M.A.

The primary objective for this report was to collect and analyze information on the case file characteristics of American Indians and Alaska Natives who have received independent living (IL) services. The information collected about these consumers will be analyzed to answer research questions such as: (a) How many American Indians with significant disabilities are being served by the state RSA IL services and the Section 130 IL projects? (b) How successful are the IL/Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) counselors in rehabilitating American Indians with significant disabilities in IL services? (c) If rehabilitated, did the American Indians with significant disabilities benefit from multiple services? To answer these questions, this preliminary report uses data summaries of American Indian client/consumers who have received IL services.

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Northern Arizona University  
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Flagstaff, AZ 86011-5630  
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*Report to the New Mexico Community Meeting*

**A Needs Assessment of American Indians with Disabilities in Northwest New Mexico**

**Cibola and McKinley Counties**

January 25-26, 1996

Priscilla Lansing Sanderson, M.S., C.R.C.

Robert M. Schacht, Ph.D.

Julie Anna Clay, MPH

Caroline Maul

The purpose of this study is to understand the needs of American Indians with disabilities who may have problems which limit their ability to independently carry out daily activities, such as walking, talking, cooking, eating, bathing, or shopping. This report discusses the American Indians with disabilities interviews which were conducted in northwest New Mexico.

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*Findings of a National Survey of Tribal Government*

December 1995

The American Indian Disability Legislation Project was created to help American Indian tribes develop and encourage the adoption of disability legislation that is consistent with the principles established by the American with Disabilities Act, and is respectful of tribal sovereignty and cultural diversity. *Findings of a National Survey of Tribal Government* describes the results of the project's survey of 143 tribal governments, representing over 600,000 people. It assesses awareness of disability issues on American Indian reservations and the status of tribal disability policies.

Order from:

American Indian Disability Legislation Project  
Montana University Affiliated  
Rural Institute on Disabilities  
University of Montana  
Missoula, MT 59812

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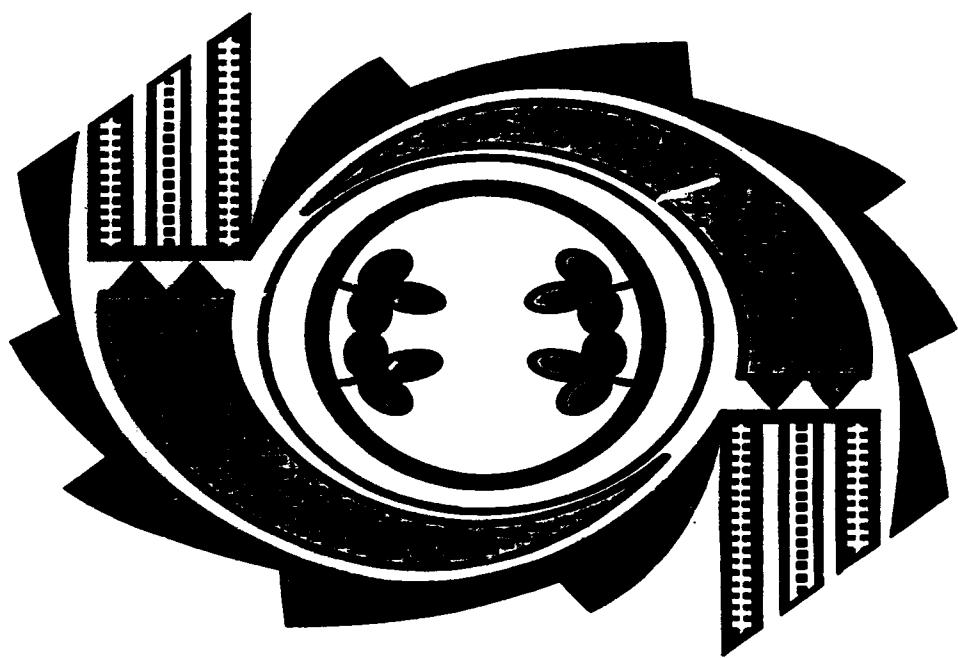
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**Service Providers**  
who reported serving at least five  
American Indians and/or Alaska Natives  
during the past year,  
listed by state



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**Alabama**

**Division of Rehabilitation Services**

PO Box 11586

2129 East South Boulevard

Montgomery, AL 36116

(334) 281-8780 ext. 249 or 252 TDD

Contact: Lamona H. Lucas, Commissioner

**Client Assistance Program**

Division of Rehabilitation Services and

Children's Rehabilitation Services

2129 E South Blvd.

PO Box 11586

Montgomery, AL 36111

(334) 281-8780

Contact: Jerry Norsworthy

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

Achievement Center Easter Seals

510 W Thomason Circle

Opelika, AL 36807

Chairperson: Robert K. Butler

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**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
**Division of Rehabilitation Service**  
**PO Box 11586**  
**2129 East South Boulevard**  
**Montgomery, AL 36116-0586**  
**(334) 281-8780**

Contact: Lamona Lucas, Commissioner

## **Alaska**

### **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

801 West 10th St., Suite 200  
Juneau, AK 99801-1894  
(907) 465-2814 Voice/TDD

Contact: Dwayne French, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

ASiST  
2900 Boniface Parkway, #100  
Anchorage, AK 99504-3195  
(907) 333-2211

Contact: Pam Stratton, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

PO Box 35097  
Juneau, AK 99803  
(907) 789-9665

Chairperson: Jim Beck  
Members: Nick Gueco, Jr. (Inuit Eskimo)  
Roger Wright (Inuit Eskimo)

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**Bristol Bay Native Association**

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services

**Human Services**

PO Box 310

Dillingham, AK 99576

(907) 842-5257

(800) 478-5257

Contact: David Rice, Project Director

**Kodiak Area Native Association**

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services

402 Center Avenue

Kodiak, AK 96615

(907) 486-5725

Contact: Joe Kelley, C.R.C., Project Director

**Tanana Chiefs Conference, Inc.**

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services

112 First Avenue, Suite 600

Fairbanks, AK 99701

(907) 452-8251

Contact: Don Shircel, Project Director  
Jackie Bisbee, Coordinator1 . . . . .  
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**Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian  
Tribes of Alaska**

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
320 West Willoughby Avenue, Suite 300  
Juneau, AK 99801  
(907) 586-1432

Contact: Edward Thomas, Project Director

**Providence Alaska Medical Center**

Rehab Services  
PO Box 196604  
Anchorage, AK 99519-6604  
(907) 261-3050

Contact: Chris Hunt, Case Manager

About 10% of the rehab services clients are Alaska Natives/ American Indians. They report working extensively on cross-cultural awareness with Kerry Feldman, Ph.D., at the University of Alaska, Anchorage.

**Hope Cottages, Inc.**  
540 West International Airport Rd., #100  
Anchorage, AK 99518  
(907) 561-5335  
(907) 564-7445 TDD

Contact: Roy Scheller

Hope Cottages is a private, not-for-profit agency providing supported living services to people experiencing developmental disabilities. They support over 300 people in both urban and rural Alaskan communities. Their IL services program in Anchorage supports 61 people with 16 being of Alaskan Native (Yupik, Aleut, Eskimo, Tlingit) descent. In their Dillingham/Bristol Bay program, they currently serve two people in the IL program who are both Alaskan Native (Yupik). In the Kodiak community, there are 13 people in IL, with seven people of Alaskan Native (Eskimo, Athabaskans and Aleut) descent. Overall, they report that 32% of their IL caseload are Alaska Natives / American Indians.

*Services Provided*

- |   |                                      |                          |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Social / recreational services            | ♦ Independent living skills training | Supported living         |
| Consumer awareness programs               | ♦ Information and referral           | Transportation           |
| Home accessibility assessment             | ♦ Peer counseling                    | Services for children    |
| Community awareness programs              | ♦ Individual & systems advocacy      | Housing related services |
| Education & training for community living |                                      |                          |

**Arctic Access Inc.**  
PO Box 930  
Kotzebue, AK 99752  
(907) 442-3021

Contact: Roger Wright, Jr., (Inuit Eskimo),  
Executive Director  
Tim Richards, Jr., (Inuit Eskimo),  
Specialist

Arctic Access Inc. has been formed and developed by people in Kotzebue who have significant physical disabilities. They are in business to provide you with the support you may need to live more independently in your communities. They join a network of other programs throughout Alaska and the nation staffed by people with disabilities who provide the following services:

- Advocacy - We will speak up for the rights of people with disabilities in the Northwest Alaskan Native Association (NANA) Region and Point Hope.
- Information and referral - We will develop a unique rural Alaskan newsletter addressing Alaskan Native and Native American disabilities issues. We will also refer you to resources we have found helpful.
- Peer Counseling - We will meet with you personally or talk with you on the phone to identify your goals for living more independently and to assist you with the process.
- Independent living skills training - We could provide small group training in person or via phone teleconference to address common issues and concerns.

**Disability Law Center of Alaska**

250 Cushman, Suite 34  
Fairbanks, AK 99701

(907) 456-1070 (Fairbanks)  
(907) 344-1002 (Anchorage)  
(907) 586-1627 (Juneau)  
(907) 543-3357 (Bethel)  
(907) 456-1070 (TDD)

Contact: James Smith

Activities of a Protection and Advocacy system (P&A) include:

- ❖ Investiging, negotiating or mediating assistance to problems expressed by individuals with disabilities eligible for P&A services;
- ❖ Providing information and technical assistance to individuals, attorneys, governmental agencies, service providers and other advocacy organizations.
- ❖ Providing legal counsel and litigation services to eligible individuals and groups who meet the established priorities for the provision of services.
- ❖ Providing education and training for consumers, family members, service delivery professionals, constituency groups and the community.

**Access Alaska, Inc.**  
3550 Airport Way, Suite 3  
Fairbanks, AK 99709-7940  
(907) 479-7940

Contact: Susan Louda, Independent Living Specialist

This ILC reported having served 15-50 Alaska Natives and American Indians during the past year. These cases amounted to about 22% of total persons served. Access Alaska has offices in Anchorage and Fairbanks.

**Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities**  
3301 Eagle St., Suite 203  
PO Box 107018  
Anchorage, AK 99510-7018  
(907) 269-4877  
(907) 269-4879 TDD/TTY

Contact: Jennifer Jones, Administrative Coordinator

## **American Samoa**

### **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Department of Human Resources  
American Samoa Government

Pago Pago, AS 96799  
10288-011-684-699-1371

Contact: Peter P. Galea'i, Director

### **Client Assistance Program and Protection and Advocacy**

PO Box 3937  
Pago Pago, AS 96799  
10288-011-684-633-2441

Contact: Minareta Thompson, Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**  
c/o Pete Galea'i  
Department of Human Resources  
American Samoa Government  
Pago Pago, AS 96799  
10288-011-684-633-2441

Chairperson: Dr. Peter E. Kolone

## **Arizona**

### **Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA)**

Arizona Department of Economic Security

1789 W Jefferson, 2nd Floor, NW

Phoenix, AZ 85007

(602) 542-3332

Contact: Roger Hodges, Administrator

### **Client Assistance Program**

Arizona Center for Disability Law

3131 North Country Club, Suite 100

Tucson, AZ 85716

(520) 327-9547

Contact: Leslie Cohen, Executive Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

2663 E Northridge Street

Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

(520) 378-6344

(602) 542-0077 Rebecca Burch, VR staff  
assistant to SILC

Chairperson: Teresa McMorrان

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(Mescalero Apache)

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(Navajo)

Member: Priscilla Lansing  
Sanderson (Navajo)

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**DIRECT**  
Independent Living Center of Tucson  
1023 North Tyndall Avenue  
Tucson, AZ 85719  
(520) 624-6452 Voice/TDD

Contact: Ann Meyer, Director

This ILC reported having served 5-20 American Indians during the past year, primarily in off-reservation facilities. These cases amounted to about 2% of the total persons served. DIRECT ILC was the first agency of its kind in Arizona.

*Services Provided*

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|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Intake assessment   | ♦ Independent living skills training | Home adaptations         |
| Benefits counseling | ♦ Information and referral           | Housing referral         |
| Personal assistance | ♦ Peer support counseling            | Community advocacy       |
| Management training | ♦ Self advocacy/self-help training   | Housing related services |

**Arizona Bridge to Independent Living (ABIL)**

1229 E. Washington  
Phoenix, AZ 85034  
(800) 280-2245  
(602) 256-2245 Voice/TDD

Contact: Susan Webb, Director

This ILC reported having served many (21-30) American Indians during the past year, primarily in off-reservation facilities in Phoenix or a nearby community. These cases amounted to about 3-4% of total persons served. ABIL sponsors a monthly community advocacy group that includes focus groups working on various topics such as Native American issues, public transportation, PAs, etc. ABIL also provides the following services:

*Services provided*

- Socialization through recreation
- Early intervention
- Peer mentor volunteer program
- ADA services
  - ♦ Independent living skills instruction
  - ♦ Information & referral
  - ♦ Peer Support Counseling
  - ♦ Advocacy
- Rural Outreach
- Home modification

**Navajo Nation Office of Special Education  
and Rehabilitation Services (OSERS)**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 1420  
Window Rock, AZ 86515  
(520) 871-6338

Contact: Treva M. Roanhorse, (Navajo)  
Project Director

**Navajo OSERS Independent Living Program**

**Joe Lee Yazzie (Navajo)**  
Navajo OSERS, IL Program  
PO Box 1420  
Window Rock, AZ 86515  
(520) 871-7698  
Service Area: Fort Defiance

**Betty Bennally (Navajo)**  
Navajo OSERS, IL Program  
PO Box 1969  
Shiprock, NM 87420  
(505) 368-1046  
Service Area: Crownpoint, Ramah, Alamo  
and Canoncito

**Vacant Position**

Navajo OSERS, IL Program  
PO Box 1893  
Chinle, AZ 86503  
(520) 674-2132  
Service Area: Chinle & Tuba City

**Amelia Nakai (Navajo)**

Navajo OSERS, IL Program  
PO Box 1969  
Shiprock, NM 87420  
(505) 368-1045  
Service Area: Shiprock & Kayenta

**Northern Arizona Rehabilitation Center**

1200 North Beaver Street  
PO Box 1268  
Flagstaff, AZ 86002  
(520) 773-2186  
(800) 752-2332

Contact: Jane O. Barnwell, M.D., Medical Director

This Rehabilitation Center served about 30 American Indians / Alaska Natives with severe disabilities during the past year, out of a total of 148 clients of all backgrounds. Thus, about 20% of their caseload has been American Indians. They provide a full range of in-patient services, and also provide physical, occupational, and speech therapy on an out-patient basis.

**Cocopah Tribe Health Maintenance Program** Contact: Priscilla Brown, CHR Supervisor

County 15th and Avenue 6  
Somerton, AZ 85350  
(520) 627-2681

About 5-10 American Indians with severe disabilities received services from this CHR program during the past year. These services consisted primarily of transportation to medical facilities, homemaking, and assistance with medication.

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**Chinle CHR Service Unit**

PO Box PH  
Chinle, AZ 86503  
(520) 674-5942  
(520) 677-3252 (Wallace)

Contact: Elsie Pashalken, Supervisor  
Chris Wallace, CHR

More than 50 American Indians with significant disabilities received services from this Navajo Nation service unit during the past year. These services consisted primarily of physical therapy, follow-up services to persons with spinal cord injuries, and services to persons who are blind or deaf. This unit has eight CHRs.

**Ft. Defiance CHR Service Unit**

PO Box 649  
Fort Defiance, AZ 86504  
(520) 729-4014

Contact: Ms. Charlotte James, CHR Supervisor

More than 50 American Indians with severe disabilities received services from this Navajo Nation service unit during the past year. These services consisted primarily of transportation services, medication counseling / administration, prevention of secondary medical problems, nutrition counseling, adjustment to disability counseling, range of motion exercises, home accessibility assessment, and referrals to VR/IL counselors.

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The following is a list of IL counselors who provide services in urban areas of Arizona.

**Al Zulli**  
Arizona Rehabilitation Services  
Administration (RSA)  
100 N Stone #500B  
Tucson, AZ 85701  
(520) 629-0225

**Patricia Serlin-Sreele**  
Arizona RSA  
1270 E. Broadway  
Suite 120  
Tempe, AZ 85282  
(602) 350-7746

**Joyce Weber**  
Arizona RSA  
10640 N 28th Street, B106  
Phoenix, AZ 85029  
(602) 789-9129

**Randi Halvorsen**  
Arizona RSA  
4620 N 16th Street, Room 105  
Phoenix, AZ 85016  
(602) 266-9579

The following is a list of Independent Living counselors who provide services on reservations.

<u>Counselor</u>	<u>Reservation(s)</u>	<u>Counselor</u>	<u>Reservation(s)</u>
<b>Santiago Lebron</b> Arizona RSA 100 N Stone, Suite 500B Tucson, AZ 85701 (520) 629-0225	Tohono O'Odham Arizona RSA 1555 Iron Springs Road Suite 11 Prescott, AZ 86302 (520) 445-6432	<b>Rich Bagwell</b> Arizona RSA 1555 Iron Springs Road Suite 11 Prescott, AZ 86302 (520) 445-6432	Camp Verde, Colorado River, Fort Mohave, Kaibab-Paiute, Havasupai, Hualapai, Yavapai-Prescott
<b>Vacant</b>	Salt River; Gila River	<b>Alfia Fernandez</b> Arizona RSA 1310 South 3rd Ave. Yuma, AZ 85364 (520) 329-9462	Cocopah
<b>Russ Bull</b> Arizona RSA 1510 S Riordan Ranch Flagstaff, AZ 86001 (520) 779-4147	Ft. Apache; Hopi		

The following is a list of Independent Living (IL) technicians who assist the IL counselors on pages 63 and 64.

Clayton Guffey  
10640 N 28th Drive, B106  
Phoenix, AZ 85029  
(602)789-9129

Irma Rivera  
100 N Stone, Suite 500B  
Tucson, AZ 85701  
(520)629-0225

Eileen Johnson (Navajo)  
1510 S Riordan Ranch  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001  
(520)779-4147

**Native American Resource Development, Inc.**

PO Box 2169  
Window Rock, AZ 86515  
(520)871-4663  
(800) 393-7433 Toll free for clients

Contact: Penny Emerson (Navajo), President

This program offers rides for medical appointments and has Navajo speaking drivers. For eligibility determination we need: a) person's name; b) social security number; and c) date of birth. Passengers must be enrolled in the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) plan or in New Mexico Medicaid before transportation services can be provided.

Transportation is provided to Indian Health Service facilities and to private hospitals and clinics off the reservation throughout Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, and Utah.

If the person is eligible for transportation services, the following information is needed to confirm the trip:

- specific medical reason for appointment
- medical provider's name
- specific directions to patient's home
- indicate all special patient requirements, i.e., patient in a wheelchair; family member to accompany patient on trip; will the driver be required to stay overnight?; is a Native Resource Development (NRD) attendant required to assist patient throughout the entire medical appointment? and; helping the patient with each aspect of the visit including Navajo translation, if necessary.

**Colorado River Service Unit**  
Route 1, Box 12  
Parker, AZ 85344  
(520) 669-2137

Contact: Gene Conicome, Social Worker

This service unit's primary funding source is IHS (Indian Health Services). The following services are provided:

- Information and referral services
- Referral and assistance for transportation
- Personal assistance services
- Preventive services
- Services and training for individuals with cognitive sensory disabilities
- Peer counseling
- Housing services
- Rehabilitation technology
- Community awareness programs

**Phoenix Indian Medical Center**  
4212 N 16th Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85016  
(602)263-1200 ext. 1515

Contact: Vicki Lorentz, MSW  
Social Services

This service unit's primary funding source is Indian Health Services (IHS). The following services are provided:

- Information and referral services
- Referral and assistance for transportation
- Housing services
- Rehabilitation technology
- Preventive services
- Individual and systems advocacy
- Counseling services
- Personal assistance services
- Maintaining registries
- Community awareness programs

**Kayenta Health Center**

PO Box 368

Kayenta, AZ 86033

(520)697-6143

Contact: Melanie Maddox, Public Health Nurse

This service unit's primary funding source is tribal. The following services are provided:

- Information and referral services
- Referral and assistance for transportation
- Mobility training
- Preventive services

- Individual and systems advocacy
- Rehabilitation technology
- Maintaining registries
- Community awareness programs

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**Ft. Defiance Indian Hospital**  
PO Box 649  
Ft. Defiance, AZ 86504  
(520)729-3247

Contact: Michael LaPlante, Physical Therapist  
Sandra Dodge, RN, DPHN

This service unit's funding sources include IHS, tribal, and state. The following services are provided:

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|--|--|
| Information and referral services                        | Individual and systems advocacy            |
| Transportation   | Referral and assistance for transportation |
| Housing services   | Therapeutic treatment                      |
| Provision of prostheses and other appliances and devices | Preventive services                        |

**Whiteriver, IHS**  
PO Box 860  
Whiteriver, AZ 85941

This service unit's primary funding source is IHS. The following services are provided:

- Information and referral services
- Individual and systems advocacy
- Referral and assistance for transportation
- Housing services

**San Carlos IHS**  
PO Box 208  
San Carlos, AZ 85550

This service unit's primary funding source is IHS. The following services are provided:

- Information and referral services
- Transportation
- Maintaining registries
- Preventive services

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**Sage Memorial Hospital**  
PO Box 398  
Canado, AZ 86505

This service unit's primary funding sources are IHS and Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS). The following services are provided:

Information and referral services  
Housing services  
Physical rehabilitation

Transportation  
Interpreter and reader services  
Preventive services

Services referred are:

Referral and assistance for transportation  
Personal assistance services  
Therapeutic treatment  
Counseling services  
Mobility training  
Provision of prostheses and other appliances and devices

**Governor's Committee on People  
with Disabilities**

1012 E. Willetta, SRI-1Bb  
Phoenix, AZ 85006  
(602) 239-4762

Contact: Dr. William Butler, Supervisor

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**Arkansas**

**Division of Rehabilitation Services**

**Arkansas Department of Human Services**

PO Box 3781

Little Rock, AR 72203

(501) 296-1600

Contact: Bobby C. Simpson, Director

**Client Assistance Program**

**Advocacy Services, Inc.**

**Evergreen Place, Suite 201**

**1100 North University**

**Little Rock, AR 72207**

**(501) 296-1775**

**(800) 482-1174**

Contact: Dale Turrentine, CAP Director

**Chairperson: Phil Steinbuck**

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

**Hot Springs Rehab Center**

**PO Box 1358**

**Hot Springs, AR 71902**

**(501) 624-4411 ext. 315**

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**Governor's Commission on People  
with Disabilities**

Contact: **Bobby Simpson, Director**

300 Donaghey Plaza North  
PO Box 3781  
Little Rock, AR 72203  
(501) 296-1660  
(501) 682-8925 TDD/TTY  
(501) 296-1616 (Simpson)

**California**

**Department of Rehabilitation**

830 K Street Mall

PO Box 94422

Sacramento, CA 95814

(916) 445-3971

(916) 323-4347 TDD

Contact: Brenda Premo, Director

**Client Assistance Program**

830 K Street Mall, Room 220

Sacramento, CA 95814

(916) 322-5066

Contact: Anna Claybourne, Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council  
Community Resources for Independence**  
2999 Cleveland Ave., Suite D  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403  
(707) 528-2745

Chairperson: Michael Humphrey

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**Center for Independent Living**

2539 Telegraph Avenue

Berkeley, CA 94704

(510) 841-4776

(510) 848-3101 TDD

Contact: Mike Donnelly, Executive Director

This CIL in the past year had 5-15 American Indian/ Alaska Native consumers, all of whom received services off-reservation. This CIL provides services in Alameda County.

*Services Provided*

- |   |                                      |                     |
|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Financial benefits counseling           | ❖ Independent living skills training | Personal assistance |
| Partnership coalition                   | ❖ Information and referral           | Deaf services       |
| Parents Empowerment Project             | ❖ Peer counseling                    | Employment services |
| Deaf & Blind Project                    | ❖ Individual & systems advocacy      | Legal clinic        |
| Jobs for Homeless Consortium            |                                      | Housing             |
| Attendant referral and elderly services |                                      | Youth services      |
|   |                                      | Blind services      |

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**C.A.P.H. Independent Living Center**

3475 West Shaw, Suite 101

Fresno, CA 93711-3200

(209) 276-6777

(209) 276-6779 TDD

Contact: Counselor of the Day

They report providing IL services for some (5-20) American Indians/ Alaska Natives during the past year, amounting to 5% of their caseload. Of this percentage, ">1%" were provided IL services on a reservation, and 4.9% received off-reservation services. C.A.P.H. provides services in Fresno, Kings, Tulare, Mariposa, Merced, and Madera Counties.

*Services Provided*

Advocacy in the community  
Personal assistance services  
Communication assistance  
Financial benefits counseling

- ♦ Information and referral
- ♦ Peer counseling
- ♦ Advocacy with Individual

Housing

Community education  
Attendant referral

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**Independent Living Services of Northern California**  
555 Rio Lindo Avenue, Suite B  
Chico, CA 95926  
(916) 893-8527 Voice/TDD

Contact: Rocky Burkes, Executive Director  
Ron Wicks, Assistant Director of  
Services

They report providing IL services for some (5-20) American Indians / Alaska Natives during the past year, amounting to less than 1% of their caseload. All of these were off-reservation services. They offer services to persons with severe disabilities residing in Butte, Glenn, Tehama and Shasta Counties.

*Services Provided*

- Pre-employment training
- Rehabilitation technology
- Surveys & directories
- Provider referral
- Services for children
- Housing referral
- Housing related services
- Referrals to enhance independent living
- ♦ Independent living skills training
- ♦ Individual & systems advocacy
- ♦ Information and referral
- ♦ Peer counseling
- Referrals to VR/IL counseling
- Home accessibility assessment
- Independent living rehabilitation
- Community awareness programs
- Adjustment to disability counseling
- Personal assistance/ attendant care
- Consumer information programs
- Patient & family advocacy

**Independent Living Center of Southern California, Inc.**  
1927 Eye Street  
Bakersfield, CA 93301  
(805) 325-1063  
(805) 325-3092 TDD

Contact: Sandra Bartlett  
Executive Director

They report providing IL services for some (5-20) American Indians / Alaska Natives during the past year, amounting to about 2% of their caseload. All of these were off-reservation services.

*Services Provided*

- |                                   |                                      |                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Attendant referrals               | ♦ Independent living skills training | Roommates          |
| Deaf services                     | ♦ Information and referral           | Housing assistance |
| Client assistance program         | ♦ Peer counseling                    | Job match          |
| Equipment loans                   | ♦ Individual & systems advocacy      | Emergency shelter  |
| Homemaking/horticultural training |                                      |                    |

**Dayle McIntosh Center for the Disabled**

150 W Cerritos, Bldg 4

Anaheim, CA 92805

(714) 772-8285 (Anaheim Center)

(714) 772-8366 TDD (Anaheim Center)

(714) 772-921-9916 (The Clubhouse)

(714) 750-5368 V/TDD (Independent Living Skills)

Contact : Richard Melli, Deputy Director of

Programs

Sharon McCrary, Information and  
Referral Coordinator

**South County Branch Office**

27782 El Lazo Rd., Suite 100

Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

(714) 643-7275

(714) 643-7282

This ILC reports having an independent living caseload which included many (21-50) American Indians or Alaska Natives during the past year, about 2% of their IL caseload. All of these were reservation services. They serve residents who are severely disabled of Orange County, and also have offices in Riverside, and Orange [(714) 921-9916], where a special facility called *The Clubhouse* is located (for persons with Traumatic Brain Injury).

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**Dale McIntosh Center for the Disabled**  
***Directory of Programs and Services***

**Advocacy:** The Center acts as an ombudsman for the rights of individuals with disabilities and assists in mediation with government and social service agencies.

**Alcohol & Drug Recovery:** Substance abuse support meetings and training which incorporate and focus on the special needs of people with disabilities

**Client Assistance Program (CAP):** A state mandated service, advocates work to resolve differences and liaison between the Department of Rehabilitation and people receiving services from the Department.

**Attendant Registry:** Recruitment and referral of potential employees to help with homemaking, shopping, driving and/or personal care; training attendant management

**Communications:** Hearing and visually impaired individuals receive assistance through sign language interpreters, readers, transcription services and the provision of alternative format material.

**The Clubhouse:** People with traumatic head injury and similar disabilities participate interactively in a model community to restore social and vocational skills. Located in Orange, the Clubhouse also offers transitional employment services

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**Community Living Program:** One-to-one independent living training for adults with disabilities who have the ability and desire to live in their community with some additional assistance.

**COMMEND:** (Communication Medical Emergency Network for the Deaf): Links people who are deaf experiencing health crisis with hospital emergency rooms through interpreter services.

**Equipment Loan:** Wheelchair, walker and other equipment may be borrowed free of charge for people who are newly injured or in need of temporary equipment.

**Counseling:** Professional counseling and peer support help individuals, families and groups to cope with disability-related problems.

**Housing Assistance:** Help in locating accessible rental units through referrals; advice to landlords and property owners on housing modification.

**Emergency Services:** The Center operates a fully accessible, six-bed temporary shelter called *EARTH* in Garden Grove for homeless people with disabilities; the Center also provides financial assistance and non-perishable food to those who qualify based on need.

**Information and Referral:** A clearinghouse of information concerning disabilities and related resources and programs is available to the public.

American with Disabilities Act Consultation

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**Independent Living Skills Training:** Classroom work in sign language and basic academics, along with instruction in practical skills needed for self-sufficiency and employment for people who need help with cognitive and communication skills; special emphasis on people with hearing impairments.

**Newsletter:** Quarterly publication featuring Center news and events of significance in the disability community.

**Public Education/Awareness Presentations:** Staff and volunteer speakers are available to address community groups on the needs and capabilities of people with disabilities.

**South County Branch Office:** Offers independent Living core services to South County residents including: advocacy, attendant registry, housing assistance and information & referral services. This branch brings the Center's staff closer to residents and offers an accessible link to an entire compliment of programs and services.

**Sycuan Intertribal Vocational Rehabilitation**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
Sycuan Band of Mission Indians  
5478 Dehesa Road, Box 10  
El Cajon, CA 92019  
(619) 445-6917

Contact: Jimmy Warne (Oglala), M.S.  
Director  
Shelley Murphrey, Co-Director

**The California Governor's Committee for  
Employment of Disabled Persons**  
PO Box 8268820, MIC 41  
Sacramento, CA 94280-0001  
(916) 654-8055  
(916) 654-9820 TDD/TTY

Contact: Linda Eden

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## **Colorado**

### **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Department of Human Services

110 16th Street, 2nd Floor

Denver, CO 80202

(303) 620-4156

(303) 620-4153 TDD

Contact: Diana Huerta, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

The Legal Center

455 Sherman Street, Suite 130

Denver, CO 80203

(303) 722-0300

Contact: Kimberley Erickson, CAP Coordinator

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

Colorado Springs Independence Center (Skoog)

21 East Los Animas

Colorado Springs, CO 80903

(719) 471-8181 (Skoog)

Co-Chairperson: Vicky Skoog

Co-Chairperson: Lynn Haller

Members:

Eva O'John (Southern Ute)  
Michael Camp (Eastern Band of  
Cherokee)

(CO SILC Contined)

Center for Independence (Haller)  
2829 North Avenue, Suite 202  
Grand Junction, CO 81501  
(970) 241-0315 (Haller)  
(303) 620-4181 Sharon Mikert, Administrative Support to SIIIC

Craig Hospital  
3425 South Clarkson  
Englewood, CO 80110  
(303) 789-8408

Contact: Pat Tracy, LCSW, R.N., Clinic Coordinator  
Roger Lueck, M.D., Clinic Physician

Craig Hospital flies a rehab team to Gallup Indian Medical Center for a two-day spinal cord injury clinic four times a year. This rehab team includes a physiatrist, 2 registered nurses, a social worker, occupational therapist, physical therapist, urologist, and urology nurse. They report having over 200 spinal cord injury patients (mostly Navajo) there, and that this service has been provided for over 20 years. Craig Hospital provides a wide range of in-patient and out-patient IL services.

Due to decrease in funding to Indian Health Services, this two-day spinal cord clinic may be closing their doors on June 30, 1996. The last clinic day to Gallup Indian Medical Center may be May, 1996.

**Governor's Advisory Council for  
Persons with Disabilities**

Office of the Governor  
136 State Capitol Blvd.  
Denver, CO 80203  
(303) 866-2471

Contact: John Calhoun

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## **Connecticut**

### **Bureau of Rehabilitation Services**

Department of Human Resources

10 Griffin Road North

Windsor, CT 06095

(203) 298-2003

Contact: John F. Halliday, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

Office of P & A for Handicapped and Developmentally

Disabled Persons

60 B Weston Street

Hartford, CT 06120-1551

(203) 297-4300

Contact: Susan Werboff, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

34 Carleton Road

West Hartford, CT 06107

(203) 561-1730

Chairperson: Geraldina Heath

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**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
Labor Department Building  
200 Folly Brook Boulevard  
Wethersfield, CT 06109  
(203) 566-8061

Contact: Marion Smith Glasper

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## **Delaware**

### **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Department of Labor and Employment Security

40th N Market Street

Wilmington, DE 19802

(302) 761-8300 Voice/TDD

Contact: Michelle Pointer, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

United Cerebral Palsy, Inc.

254 Camden-Wyoming Avenue

Camden, DE 19934

(302) 698-9336

(800) 640-9336

Contact: Carol Glasspool, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

Independent Resources Incorporated

52 Reads Way

New Castle, DE 19720

(302) 328-6704

Chairperson: Larry G. Henderson

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**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
Department of Labor  
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation  
4425 North Market Street  
PO Box 9969  
Wilmington, DE 19809  
(302) 761-8275

Contact: Cynthia Fairwell, State  
Coordinator

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## **District of Columbia**

### **DC Rehabilitation Services Administration**

Commission on Social Services

Department of Human Services

Government of the District of Columbia

605 G Street NW, Room 1111

Washington, DC 20001

(202) 727-3227 Voice/TDD

Contact: Ruth Royall Hill, Administrator

### **Client Assistance Program**

Rehabilitation Services Administration

605 G Street NW

Washington, DC 20001

(202) 727-0977

Contact: Jim Tolbert, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

627 Dahlia Street NW

Washington, DC 20012

(202) 535-1903

Chairperson: Donald Galloway

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**Mayor's Committee on Persons with Disabilities**

East Potomac Building, Room 1108

605 G Street, N.W.

Washington, DC 20001

(202) 727-0904

(202) 727-0925 TDD/TTY

Contact: Eula Martin  
Janet McCormick

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## **Florida**

### **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Department of Labor and Employment Security  
Building A, 2002 Old St. Augustine Road

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0696

(904) 488-8380 Voice/TDD

Contact: Tamara Bibb Allen, Director

Jerry Lang, Program Manager of Native  
American Population

### **Client Assistance Program**

Advocacy Center for Person with Disabilities

2671 Executive Center, Circle West

Webster Bldg., Suite 100

Tallahassee, FL 323-5024

(904) 488-9070

Contact: Steve Howells, CAP Program Director

Chairperson: Beverly Jackson

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

CSX Transportation

500 Water Street, Room 200

Jacksonville, FL 32202

(904) 359-1500

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**Florida Governor's Alliance for the Employment  
of Disabled Citizen's, Inc.**

345 South Magnolia Drive, Suite D-11  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

(904) 487-2222  
(904) 487-2223 TDD/TTY

Contact: Carol Ann Breyer

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## **Georgia**

### **Division of Rehabilitation Services**

Department of Human Resources

1800 Peachtree Street NW, Suite 444

Atlanta, GA 30309

(404) 350-4700

Contact: Alan Morris, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

Department of Human Resources

Division of Rehabilitation Services

2 Peachtree Street NW, Room 23-307

Atlanta, GA 30303

(404) 657-3001

(800) 822-9727

Contact: Peggy Rossen, CAP Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

1599 Memorial Drive, SE

Atlanta, GA 30317

(404) 370-5171

Chairperson: Velacia Thomas

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**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
Handicapped Persons**

Division of Rehabilitation Service

Director's Office

2 Peachtree Street, N.W. 23rd Floor

Atlanta, GA 30303

(404) 657-3000

Contact: Peggy D. Rosser

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**Hawaii**

**Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Department of Human Services

Bishop Trust Bldg.

1000 Bishop St., Room 615

Honolulu, HI 96813

(808) 586-5355

Contact: Neil Shim, Administrator

**Client Assistance Program**

Protection & Advocacy Agency

1580 Makaloa Street, Suite 1060

Honolulu, HI 96814

(808) 949-2922

Contact: Gary L. Smith, Executive Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

c/o DVR

100 Bishop Street, Room 615

Honolulu, HI 96813

(808) 537-1941

Chairperson: Mark Obatake

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**Commission on Persons with Disabilities**  
919 Ala Moana Boulevard  
Honolulu, HI 96814  
(808) 586-8121 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Francine Wai, Executive Director

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## **Idaho**

### **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

650 West State Street, Room 150

Len B Jordon Building

Boise, ID 83720

(208) 334-3390 Voice/TDD

Contact: George J. Pelletier, Jr., Administrator

### **Client Assistance Program**

Co-Ad. Inc.

4477 Emerald, Suite B-100

Boise, ID 83706

(208) 336-5353

Contact: Shawn deLoyola, Executive Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

Living Independence Network Corp.

708 W Franklin

Boise, ID 83702

(208) 336-3335

Chairperson: Kelly Buckland

### **The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes**

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services

PO Box 770

Fort Hall, ID 83203

(208) 238-3916

Contact: Kenneth Callahan, Director

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Contact: Tom Valasek

**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**

Department of Employment

317 Main Street  
Boise, ID 83735  
(208) 334-6464

## **Illinois**

### **Illinois Department of Rehabilitation Service**

623 E Adams Street  
PO Box 19429

Springfield, IL 62794-9429  
(217) 782-2093

(217) 782-5734 TDD

Contact: Audrey McCrimon, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

#### **Illinois Client Assistance Project**

100 N First Street, 1st Floor  
Springfield, IL 62702  
(217) 782-5374

Contact: Cynthia Grothaus, Manager

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

Office of Secretary, State Office  
2701 S Dirksen Parkway  
Springfield, IL 62723  
(217) 524-6561

Chairperson: Beth Langen

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**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
Department of Rehabilitative Services  
100 West Randolph St., Suite 8-100  
Chicago, IL 60601  
(312) 814-5081  
(312) 814-5000 TDD/TTY

Contact: Bruce Moore

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## **Indiana**

### **Division of Rehabilitation Services**

PO Box 7083

Indiana Government Center

402 West Washington Street

Indianapolis, IN 46204

(317) 232-1147

(800) 962-8408 TDD

Contact: Bobby Conner, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

Indiana Advocacy Services

850 N Meridian Street, Suite 2-C

Indianapolis, IN 46204

(317) 232-1150

Contact: Thomas Gallagher, Executive Director

Chairperson: David Nelson

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

Allen County League for the Blind

5800 Fairfield, Suite 210

Ft. Wayne, IN 46807

(219) 745-5491

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**Governor's Commission on Planning for  
People with Disabilities**  
143 West Market Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46204  
(317) 232-7773

Contact: Su Ellen Jackson-Boda

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**Iowa**

**Iowa Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

Department Of Education

510 E 12th Street

Des Moines, IA 50319

(515) 281-6731

(515) 281-4311 iDD

**Client Assistance Program**

Division on Persons with Disabilities

Lucas State Office Bldg.

Des Moines, IA 50319

(515) 281-3957

Contact: Marge Knudsen, Administrator

Contact: Harrietta Helland, CAP Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

Central Iowa CIL

1024 Walnut Street

Des Moines, IA 50309

(515) 243-1742

Chairperson: Robert Jeppesen

**Iowa Commission of Persons with Disabilities**

Department of Human Rights

Lucas State Office Building

321 East 12th Street

Des Moines, IA 50319

(515) 281-7300

(515) 242-6172 TDD/TTY

Contact: Almo Hawkins

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## Kansas

### **Rehabilitation Services**

Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services

300 Southwest Oakley Street

Biddle Bldg., 1st Floor

Topeka, KS 66606

(913) 296-3911

(913) 296-7029 TDD

Contact: Joyce A. Cussimano, Commissioner

### **Client Assistance Program**

Biddle Building

300 Southwest Oakley Street

Topeka, KS 66606-1495

(913) 296-1491

Contact: Mary Reyer, Director

Chairperson: Gina McDonald

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

501 Southwest Jackson, Suite 450

Topeka, KS 66603

(913) 233-4550

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**Independence, Inc.**

1910 Haskell

Lawrence, KS 66046

(913) 841-0333

(913) 841-1046 TDD

Contact: Susan Brown, Counselor/Community Coordinator

This ILC appreciates diversity, and strives to be multi-cultural as possible. It has a Human Diversity Task Force. They report providing IL services for some (5-20) American Indians and Alaska Natives during the past year, amounting to about 5% of their caseload. All of these were off-reservation services.

*Services Provided*

- |                                    |                                      |                        |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Benefits assistance                | ♦ Independent living skills training | Transportation         |
| Accessible housing program         | ♦ Information and referral           | Housing assistance     |
| Adaptive equipment                 | ♦ Peer counseling                    | Resource library       |
| Technical assistance               | ♦ Individual & systems advocacy      | Counseling             |
| Community education & outreach     |                                      | Microcomputer training |
| Personal care attendant management |                                      | Support groups         |

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**Kansas Commission on Disability Concerns**

1430 Southwest Topeka Avenue

Topeka, KS 66612-1877

(913) 296-1722

(913) 296-5011 TDD/TTY

(800) 295-5232 Voice/TTY

Contact: *Martha Gabehart, Executive Director*

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## Kentucky

### Department of Vocational Rehabilitation

209 St. Clair Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
(502) 564-4566  
(800) 372-7172 TDD

Contact: Sam Serraglio, Commissioner

### Client Assistance Program

209 St. Clair Street, 5th Floor  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
(502) 564-8035  
(800) 633-6283

Contact: Diane High

### Statewide Independent Living Council

Center for Accessible Living  
981 S Third Street, #102  
Louisville, KY 40203  
(502) 589-6620

Chairperson: Jan Day

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**Kentucky Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
CHR Bldg., Second-West  
275 East Main Street  
Frankfort, KY 40621  
(502) 564-2918 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Ron Holland

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## Louisiana

### **Rehabilitation Services**

Department of Social Services

8225 Florida Boulevard

Baton Rouge, LA 70806

(504) 925-4131

(800) 543-2099 TDD

Contact: May Nelson, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

Advocacy Center for the Elderly and Disabled

225 Baronne Street, Suite 2112

New Orleans, LA 70112

(504) 522-2337

Contact: Lois Simpson, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

4511 Longfellow Drive

New Orleans, LA 70127

(504) 286-7060

Chairperson: Rose Angelucci

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**Louisiana Rehabilitation Services**

PO Box 94371  
8225 Florida Boulevard  
Baton Rouge, LA 70806-4834  
(504) 925-4131

Contact: May Nelson

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# Maine

**Office of Rehabilitation Services****Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

35 Anthony Avenue

Augusta, ME 04333

(207) 624-5300

(207) 624-5322 TDD

(800) 322-1003 TDD (State of Maine Only)

Contact: Margaret Brewster, Director

**Client Assistance Program**

CARES, Inc.

4-C Winter Street

Augusta, ME 04330

(207) 622-7055

Contact: Steve Beam, Program Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

A-1, 127 Main Street

South Portland, ME 04106

(207) 767-2189

Chairperson: Steve Tremblay

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**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
35 Anthony Avenue  
Augusta, ME 04330  
(207) 624-5307

Contact: Ron Hanson

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## **Maryland**

### **Division of Rehabilitation Services**

2301 Argonne Drive

Baltimore, MD 21218

(410) 554-9385

(410) 554-3277 TDD

Contact: Robert Burns, Assistant  
State Superintendent

### **Client Assistance Program**

MD Rehabilitation Center

### **Division of Rehabilitation Services**

2301 Argonne Drive

Baltimore, MD 21218

(410) 554-9385

Contact: Margaret Llew, Program Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

15032 Randall Lane

Williamsport, MD 21795

(301) 582-4309

Chairperson: Peggy Martin

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**Governor's Committee on Employment of**

**People with Disabilities**

1 Market Center, Box 10  
300 West Lexington Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201  
(410) 333-2263 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Marion Vessels, Executive Director

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## **Massachusetts**

### **Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission**

Fort Point Place

27-43 Wormwood Street  
Boston, MA 02210-1606  
(617) 727-2172

Contact: Elmer C. Bartels, Commissioner

### **Client Assistance Program**

MA Office on Disability  
1 Ashburton Place, Room 1305  
Boston, MA 02108  
(617) 727-7440

Contact: Barbara Lybarger, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

583 Chestnut Street #9  
Lynn, MA 01904  
(617) 593-7500

Chairperson: Kate Sacco

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**Governor's Commission on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
Department of Employment Training  
Policy Office  
19 Stanford Street, 4th Floor  
Boston, MA 02114  
(617) 626-5180

Contact: Jason Albert

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## Michigan

**Michigan Rehabilitation Services**  
PO Box 30010  
Lansing, MI 48909  
(517) 373-3391

Contact: Joseph Skiva, Director

**Client Assistance Program**  
Department of Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 30008  
Lansing, MI 48909  
(517) 373-8193

Contact: Duncan O. Wyeth, Director

**Commission for the Blind**  
201 N Washington Square, 2nd Floor  
PO Box 30015  
Lansing, MI 48909  
(517) 373-6425

Contact: James Shupper, CAP Advocate

**Statewide Independent Living Council**  
c/o MI Department of Education, MRS  
Jennifer Benniger  
PO Box 30010  
Lansing, MI 48909  
(517) 373-3391

Chairperson: Nancy Jachiem, Acting Chair

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**Hannaville Indian Community**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
N14911 Hannaville B-1 Road  
Wilson, MI 49896  
(906) 466-2934

Contact: Carol Bergquist, Project Director

**Michigan Commission on Handicapper Concerns**  
201 N. Washington Avenue  
PO Box 30015  
Lansing, MI 48909  
(517) 373-8397 Voice/TDD/TTY  
(800) 729-2253 (Michigan only)

Contact: Margaret Heiser, Staff Representative  
Diane Britt, Staff Representative  
Cheryl Mattson, Staff Representative

## **Minnesota**

### **Division of Rehabilitation Services**

Department of Economic Security

390 N Robert Street, 1st Floor

St. Paul, MN 55101

(612) 296-9154

(612) 296-3900 TDD

Contact: Kim Rezek, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

Minnesota Disability Law Center

430 First Avenue N, Suite 300

Minneapolis, MN 55401-1780

(612) 332-1441

Contact: Roseann Eshbach, CAP Project Coordinator

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

10933 Johnson Avenue South

Bloomington, MN 55437

(612) 881-2129

Chairperson: John Schatzlein

### **Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians**

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services

PO Box 427

Red Lake, MN 56671

(218) 679-2152

Contact: Don Lussier, Project Director

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**Option-RCIL**  
318 3rd Street, NW  
East Grand Forks, MN 56721  
(218)773-6100  
(800) 726-3692 (V/TTY) MN Consumer Access Line

Contact: Jay Johnson, Director  
Randy Sorenson, Operations Manager

They report providing IL services for some (5-10) American Indians during the past year.

*Services Provided*

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|---|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Housing   | ♦ Information and Referral | Self-advocacy                |
| Parks   | ♦ Advocacy                 | Goal setting                 |
| Telecommunications  | ♦ IL skills                | Disability sensitivity       |
| Building accessibility  | ♦ Peer counseling          | Disability civil rights      |
| Job accommodations  | Community Education &      | Personal assistance services |
| Transportation  | outreach                   | Government responsibilities  |
| Personal development skills (Oral communication, listening skills, non-offensive feedback, empowerment, business meetings, parliamentary procedures.) |                            |                              |

**Minnesota State Council on Disability**  
121 East 7th Place, Suite 107  
St. Paul, MN 55101  
(612) 296-1743  
(800) 948-8913 (Minnesota only)

Contact: Clell Hemphill, Director

## **Mississippi**

### **Department of Rehabilitative Services**

PO Box 1698  
Jackson, MS 39205-1698  
(601) 853-5100  
(800) 443-1000 TDD

Contact: Nell C. Carney, Executive Director

**Client Assistance Program**  
Blind and Visually Impaired  
Easter Seal Society  
3226 N State Street  
Jackson, MS 39216  
(601) 362-2585

Contact: Presley Posey, CAP Director  
Karen Brown, CAP Director for the  
Blind and Visually Impaired

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

PO Box 4958  
Jackson, MS 39296-4958  
(601) 982-7051  
(800) 962-2400

Chairperson: Karen Brown

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Mississippi

**Choctaw Vocational Rehabilitation Program**  
Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians  
PO Box 6010 - Choctaw Branch  
Neshoba County  
Philadelphia, MS 39350  
(601) 656-5251

Contact: Mary Meruvia, Project Director

**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 1698  
Jackson, MS 39215-1698  
(601) 853-5100 Voice

Contact: Jimmy Hutchinson

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## **Missouri**

**Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**  
State Department of Elementary &  
Secondary Education

3024 W. Truman Boulevard

Jefferson City, MO 65109

(314) 751-3251

(314) 751-5627 TDD

Contact: Don L. Gann, Ed D.,

Assistant Commissioner

**Client Assistance Program**

Missouri P & A Services

925 S Country Club Drive, Unit B-1

Jefferson City, MO 65109

(314) 893-3333

Contact: Shawn deLoyola, Executive Director

Chairperson: Kent Kolaga

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

1901 Windriver Drive

Jefferson City, MO 65101

(314) 893-3333

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**Governor's Council on Disability**  
PO Box 1668  
3315 West Truman Boulevard  
Jefferson City, MO 65102  
(573) 751-2600 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Candace S. Hawkins, Executive  
Director

Missouri

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Montana

Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services

## Rehabilitative/Visual Services

PO Box 4210

Helena MT 59604

(406) 444-2590 Voice/TDD

Contact: Joe A. M. Thews, C.R.C., Administrator

Client Assistance Program

Montana Advocacy Program

316 North Park, Room 211

PO Box 1680

Helena, MT 59624

(406) 444-3889

(800) 245-4743

Contact: Al Smith, Executive Director

Lynn Winslow, CAP Director

Statewide Independent Living Council

1206 12th Avenue East

Polson, MT 59860

(406) 883-9459

Chairpersons: June Hermanson

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**The Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes  
of the Flathead Nation**

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
Salish Kootenai College  
PO Box 117  
Pablo, MT 59855  
(406) 675-4800

Contact: Mike Hermanson, C.R.C.,  
Project Director

**Rocky Boy Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
Chippewa Cree Tribe  
Stone Child College  
Rocky Boy Route, Box 1082  
Box Elder, MT 59521  
(406) 395-4269

Contact: Luanne Belcourt, Project Director

**Fort Belknap Tribe**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
Rural Route 1, Box 66  
Harlem, MT 59526  
(406) 353-2205 ext. 406

Contact: Arlene Gardipee (Gros Ventre),  
Project Director  
Linda Kinsey (Gros Ventre), VR  
Counselor

**Fort Peck Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes**  
American Indian Vocational  
Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 1027  
Poplar, MT 59255  
(406) 768-3488  
(406) 768-5486

Contact: Llewellyn (Rusty) Cantrell, (Yankton)  
Project Director  
Joyce Stevenson (Sioux), VR Counselor  
Ruby Clark (Assiniboine), Head Injury  
Coordinator/Counselor  
Steven Clincher (Yankton & Ogala), Head  
Injury Counselor

**Montana Independent Living Project**  
38 South Last Chance Gulch  
Helena, MT 59601  
(800) 735-6457 Voice/TDD

Contact : Raelen Williard, Information Officer

They report providing IL services for some (5-20) American Indians and Alaska Natives during the past year, amounting to 3% of their caseload. All of these were off-reservation services.

*Services Provided*  
Community living services  
Transitional living planning

- ❖ Independent living skills training
- ❖ Information and referral
- ❖ Peer counseling
- ❖ Individual & systems advocacy

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**North Central Independent Living Services, Inc.**  
104 Second Street South, Suite 101  
Great Falls, MT 59405  
(406) 452-9834 Voice/TDD  
(800) 823-6245 In state only

Contact: Tom Osborn, Director  
Sharla LaFountain,  
Information & Referral Coordinator

This CIL provided IL services to 9-12 American Indians during the past year. About 20% of their clients are American Indian. Of these, 90% were provided services on four reservations: Blackfoot, Ft. Peck, Rocky Boy, and Ft. Belknap.

*Services Provided*

- |   |                                      |                                     |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Service coordination                    | ❖ Independent living skills training | Home ownership                      |
| Assistive technology                    | ❖ Information and referral           | Mobility training                   |
| Housing related services                | ❖ Peer counseling                    | Rehabilitation technology           |
| Consumer information programs           | ❖ Individual & systems advocacy      | Preventive services                 |
| Surveys & directories                   |                                      | Assistive device training           |
| Home accessibility assessment           |                                      | Services for children               |
| Community awareness programs            |                                      | Adjustment to disability counseling |
| Education/training for community living |                                      | Consumer information programs       |

**Summit Independent Living Center, Inc.**  
1900 Brooks Street, Suite 120  
Missoula, MT 59801  
(406) 728-1630 Voice/TTD

Contact: Jude Monson, Education  
Coordinator

**Satellite office on Flathead Reservation**  
318 Main Street  
Ronan, MT 59864  
(406) 676-0190

Contact: Patrick Gowen

This CIL serves people with a variety of disabilities which may include mobility impairments, neurological disorders, hearing impairments, learning disabilities, visual impairments, and other disabling conditions. They report providing IL services for about 20 American Indians during the past year, amounting to 6% of their caseload. Of these, 45% were provided IL services on a reservation, and 65% received off-reservation services.

<i>Services Provided</i>	♦ Independent living skills training	Occupational therapy
Interpreter & TT services	♦ Information and referral	Resource library
Assistive technology	♦ Peer counseling	Volunteer services
Family counseling & education	♦ Individual & systems advocacy	Support groups
Senior companions		Consultation services
Disability awareness training		

**Governor's Advisory Council on Disability**

**State Personnel Division**

**Department of Administration**

PO Box 200127

Helena, MT 59620-0127

(406) 444-3794

Contact: Constance Ensvyler

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## **Nebraska**

Nebraska

### **Vocational Rehabilitative Services**

State Department of Education

301 Centennial Mall South, 6th Floor

PO Box 94987

Lincoln, NE 68509

(402) 471-3645

(402) 471-3652 TDD

Contact: Frank C. Lloyd

Assistant Commissioner & Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

Division of Rehabilitation Services

Nebraska Department of Education

301 Centennial Mall South, 6th Floor

Lincoln, NE 68509

(402) 471-3656

Contact: Victoria L. Rasmussen, CAP

Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

859 S 45th Street  
Lincoln, NE 68510

(402) 483-6378

(402) 471-0901 Cathy Callaway, VR staff assistant to SILC

Chairperson: Nye Bond

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**Winnebago Indian Health Services (IHS)**  
IHS Hospital  
Winnebago, NE 68021  
(402)878-2258

Contact: J. Rixnen, Social Worker  
Shirley Poorthunder, Service Unit  
Director  
  
(402)878-2258

This service unit's primary funding sources are IHS and tribal. The following services are provided:

- Information and referral services
  - Transportation
  - Counseling services
  - Personal assistance services
  - Maintaining registries (Diabetes Project)
  - Provision of prostheses and other appliances and devices (referral out)
- Individual and systems advocacy
- Referral and assistance for transportation
- Housing services
- Rehabilitation technology (referral out)
- Physical rehabilitation (referral out)
- Preventive services

**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
Nebraska Job Service, Department of Labor  
550 South 16th Street, Box 94600  
Lincoln, NE 68509  
(402) 471-7776 Voice

Contact: Bernard Shilderston, Executive  
Director

## **Nevada**

### **Rehabilitative Division**

Department of Human Services  
505 E King Street, Room 502  
Carson City, NV 90710  
(702) 687-4440 Voice/TDD

Contact: Elizabeth Breshears, Administrator

### **Client Assistance Program**

1755 E Plumb Lane, #109  
Reno, NV 89502  
(702) 688-1440  
(800) 633-9879

Contact: William E. Bauer, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

Western Central Petroleum  
PO Box 2496  
Hawthorne, NV 89415  
(702) 945-2978

Chairperson: Fred Inman

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## New Hampshire

### Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

State Department of Education  
78 Regional Drive, Building 2  
Concord, NH 03301-9686  
(603) 271-3471

Contact: Paul K. Leather, Director

### Client Assistance Program

Governor's Commission on Disability  
57 Regional Drive  
Concord, NH 03301-8506  
(603) 271-2773 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Christy Goodrich, CAP Ombudsman

### Statewide Independent Living Council

NHGCD  
57 Regional Drive  
Concord, NH 03301  
(603) 271-2773  
(800) 852-3405

Chairperson: Carol Nadeau

**Governor's Commission on Disability**

57 Regional Drive  
Concord, NH 03301  
(603) 271-2773 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Carol Naideau

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## New Jersey

**Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

New Jersey Department of Labor

CN 398

Trenton, NJ 08625-0398

(609) 292-5987

Contact: Thomas G. Jennings, III, Director

**New Jersey Protection and Advocacy Services**

210 S Broad Street, Third Floor

Trenton, NJ 08608

(609) 292-9742

(800) 792-8600

Contact: Sarah Mitchell, CAP Coordinator

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

231 Van Winkle Avenue

Hawthorne, NJ 07508

(201) 423-0117

Chairperson: Linda Wilson

**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
New Jersey Department of Labor  
Labor and Industry Building CN-110  
John Fitch Plaza  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0110  
(609) 984-1798

Contact: Helen Verhage, ADA Coordinator

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## New Mexico

### Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

State Department of Education  
435 St. Michael's Drive, Bldg D

Santa Fe, NM 87505

(505) 827-3511

(505) 827-3510 TDD

Contact: Terry Brigance, Director

### Client Assistance Program

Protection & Advocacy System, Inc.  
1720 Louisiana Blvd. NE, Suite 204

Albuquerque, NM 87110

(505) 256-3100

Contact: Joyce Pomo, CAP Coordinator

### Statewide Independent Living Council

1720 Louisiana Blvd. NE, Suite 204

Albuquerque, NM 87110

(505) 256-3100

Chairperson: Vince Montano

Contact: Larry E. Alflein, C.R.C., Project  
Director

### Pueblo of Zuni

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services

PO Drawer 989

Zuni, NM 87327

(505) 782-5738

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**Pueblo of Laguna**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 194  
Laguna, NM 87026  
(505) 552-6654

Contact: Marilyn Johnson, Ph.D. (Acoma),  
Project Director

**Independent Living Resource Center**  
4401 Lomas NE, Suite B  
Albuquerque, NM 87110  
(505) 266-5022 Voice/TDD

Contact: Kathy Petrella, Program Manager  
Ed Thomas (Acoma/Otoe), IL  
Specialist

The Independent Living Resource Center is a state administered IL program that has provided services to some (5-20) American Indians with significant disabilities during the past year, amounting to about 6.5% of their caseload. Outreach services are provided to Pueblo Villages and New Mexico reservations on an itinerant basis by Ed Thomas.

*Services Provided*

Personal Service Training	Advocacy	Information & Referral
ADA Consultation Program	IL Skills Training	Cross-Disability Peer Counseling
		Support and Services Program

**St. Joseph Rehabilitation Hospital and Outpatient Center**  
505 Elm NE  
PO Box 25555  
Albuquerque, NM 87125  
(505) 244-4724

Contact: Mary Lou Coors,  
Administrator

They report that 5-10 American Indians with significant disabilities received services at their facility during the past year. They provide a broad range of in-patient and out-patient rehabilitation services.

**CHR Office, Pueblo of Sandia**  
PO Box 6008  
Bernalillo, NM 87004  
(505) 867-3911

Contact: Magdalene Torivio,  
CHR Supervisor

About 5-10 American Indians with significant disabilities received services from this IHS-funded CHR program during the past year. These services consisted primarily of transportation, home accessibility assessment, patient & family advocacy, and referrals to enhance independent living, vocational rehabilitation counselors, and independent living programs.

**CHR Program, Pueblo of Laguna**  
PO Box 194  
Old Laguna, NM 87026  
(505) 552-6651

Contact: Ramona Homer

About 5-10 American Indians with significant disabilities received services from this tribally funded CHR program during the past year. These services consisted primarily of transportation, range of motion exercises, home accessibility assessment, and patient & family advocacy.

**Indian Health Services (IHS) Crownpoint**  
Contact: Wendy Robinson, Physical Therapist  
PO Box 358  
Crownpoint, NM 87313  
(505)786-5291 ext. 266

PO Box 938  
Crownpoint, NM 87313 (Robinson)

This service unit's primary source of funding is IHS. The following services are provided:

Information and referral services  
Therapeutic treatment (nursing)  
Referral and assistance for transportation  
Preventive services

**Alamo Health Services**  
PO Box 1548  
Magdalina, NM 87825  
(505) 854-2626

Contact: Pat Roven, RNC, PHN

**Albuquerque Service Unit**  
801 Vassar Drive, NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87106

Contact: Cheri Lyon

Thus service unit's primary funding is IHS. The following services are provided:

- Information and referral services
- Peer counseling
- Transportation
- Counseling services
- Life skills training
- Personal assistance services
- Provision of prostheses and other appliances and devices (referrals provided)
- Physical Rehabilitation
- Mobility training
- Community awareness programs
- Independent living skills
- Individual and systems advocacy
- Referral and assistance for transportation
- Housing services
- Interpreter and reader skills
- Rehabilitation technology
- Services and training for individuals with cognitive and sensory disabilities
- Therapeutic treatment (referrals provided)
- Preventive services
- Maintaining registries

**Acoma Canoncito Laguna Hospital**  
PO Box 130  
San Fidel, NM 87034

This service unit's primary sources of funding are IHS and tribal. The following services are provided:

Information and referral services  
Counseling services

Referral and assistance for transportation  
Preventive Services

**Navajo Nation Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services (OSERS)**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 1969  
Shiprock, NM 87420  
(505) 368-1046 Ms. Bennally  
(505) 368-1045 Ms. Nakai

Contact: Betty Bennally (Navajo), IL  
Counselor  
Amelia Nakai (Navajo), IL  
Counselor

Service areas for Ms. Bennally are Crownpoint, Ramah, Alamo and Canoncito. Service areas for Ms. Nakai are Shiprock and Kayenta.

**Governor's Committee on Concerns of**

**the Handicapped**

Lamy Building - Room 117

491 Old Santa Fe Trail

Santa Fe, NM 87503

(505) 827-6465

(505) 827-6327 TDD/TTY

Contact: Judy Myers, Director

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**New York**

**Vocational Educational Services for Individuals  
with Disabilities (VESID)**

The New York State Education Department  
One Commerce Plaza, 16th Floor  
Albany, NY 12234  
(518) 474-7981

Contact: Lawrence Gloeckler, Deputy  
Commissioner

**Client Assistance Program**

NY State Commission on Quality of Care  
for the Mentally Disabled  
99 Washington Ave., Suite 1002  
Albany, NY 12210  
(518) 473-7378

Contact: Michael Peluso, Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

IL Center

3108 Main Street  
Buffalo, NY 14214  
(716) 836-0822

**Chairperson: Douglas Usiak**

**Independent Living Center of Amsterdam**

12 Chestnut Street  
Amsterdam, NY 12010  
(518) 842-3561

**Contact: Pamela Moore**

This organization is a state administered IL program which has provided services to 5-20 American Indians or Alaska Natives during the past year, amounting to 9% of their caseload. These services were provided off-reservation.

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**Native American Independent Living Services**  
3108 Main Street  
Buffalo, NY 14214

(716) 836-0822

(800) 348-8399 (Only for participants use in Cattaraugus, Tonawanda, and Tuscarora)

Contact: Ken Dougherty  
Debra Standford

The Native American Independent Living Services (NAILS) is a program for Native Americans with disabilities. It's a non-profit Center for IL that provides IL services to all Native American individuals with disabilities on the Cattaraugus, Tonawanda, and Tuscarora reservations and throughout western New York. The "without walls" structure allows on-site communication and interaction between the Native American counseling staff and individuals seeking support and services.

All requests for services, communication and information regarding services received by participants is kept strictly confidential and used only for meeting participants needs and achieving participant goals.

*Services Provided*

- ♦ Peer Support
- ♦ Independent living skills instruction
- ♦ Advocacy
- ♦ Information referral

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**New York State Office of Advocate for  
Persons with Disabilities**  
One Empire State Plaza Building  
Suite 1001

Albany, NY 12223-0001

(518) 473-4129

(518) 473-4231 TDD/TTY

(518) 474-5567 Information Referral Line

(800) 522-4369 New York only

Contact: Rosemary Lamb, Associate  
Advocate

## **North Carolina**

### **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

**Department of Human Resources**

**State Offices**

PO Box 26053

Raleigh, NC 27611

(919) 733-3364

(919) 733-5924 TDD

**Contact: Bob Philbeck, Director**

### **Client Assistance Program**

**NC Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

PO Box 26053

Raleigh, NC 27611

(919) 733-3364

**Contact: Kathy Barack, Director**

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

PO Box 12

Tarheel, NC 28392

(910) 862-2472

**Chairperson: Dennis Troy**

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**Duke Rehabilitation Center**  
Duke University Medical Center  
PO Box 3549  
Durham, NC 27710  
(919) 684-4551

Contact: Mary Maronick, RN

This medical rehabilitation facility provided services to about 10 American Indians with severe disabilities during the past year. They provide a wide variety of inpatient services.

**Vocational Opportunities of Cherokee, Inc.**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
Eastern Band of Cherokee  
PO Box 653  
Cherokee, NC 28719  
(704) 497-9827

Contact: Leauna Gloyre, Project Director

**Governor's Advocacy Council for  
Persons with Disabilities**  
Cameron Village  
2131 Cameron Street, Suite 218  
Raleigh, NC 27605-3245  
(919) 733-9250 Voice/TDD/TRY

Contact: Cindy Crouse-Martin, Director

## **North Dakota**

### **Office of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Department of Human Services  
Administrative Office

400 E Broadway Avenue, Suite 303  
Bismarck, ND 58501  
(701) 328-3999

Contact: Gene Hysjulien, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

400 E Broadway, Suite 303  
Bismarck, ND 58501-4038  
(701) 328-3999

Contact: Dennis Lyon, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

Route 1, Box 122  
Devils Lake, ND 58301  
(701) 622-2517

Chairperson: Jeff Frith

Member: Willie Davis (Turtle Mtn. Band of  
Chippewa Indians)

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**Dakota Center for Independent Living**  
3111 E Broadway  
Bismarck, ND 58501  
(701) 222-3636 (TDD)

Contact person: Diane Medicine Stone (Mandan Hidatsa),  
IL Counselor

Since 1984, Dakota CIL's Native American Outreach Program has served American Indians with disabilities on the Standing Rock Indian reservation, which overlaps both North Dakota and South Dakota, and Ft. Berthold (Mandan Hidatsa) reservations.

Ongoing IL Core services to the Standing Rock Reservation consumers are provided at least twice a month. Recently, advisory councils were formed on the two reservations to ensure service delivery and to concentrate their outreach services to enhance the participation of American Indians with disabilities in the mainstream of their communities. They have at least 200 consumers in all, of whom 25-30 are American Indians.

	<i>Services Provided</i>	
Counseling	♦ Independent living skills training	Service Coordination
Technical Assistance	♦ Information and referral	Recreation & Leisure activities

**Med Center One**  
PO Box 5525  
300 N 7th St.  
Bismarck, ND 58502-5525  
(701) 224-6000

Contact: Mary Holzer, Rehab Supervisor

They report that 20 American Indians with significant disabilities received services at their facility during the past year. They provide a broad range of in-patient and out-patient rehabilitation services.

**Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
Turtle Mountain Community College  
PO Box 340  
Belcourt, ND 58316  
(701) 477-5605

Contact: Donna Thomas (Turtle Mtn. Band of Chippewa Indians), M.S.W.,  
Project Director  
Willie Davis (Turtle Mtn. Band of Chippewa Indians), VR Counselor

**Freedom Resource Center for Independent Living, Inc.**  
PO Box 8192  
Fargo, ND 58109  
(218) 236-0459 (Fargo/Moorhead)  
(218) 739-3273 (Fergus Falls)

Contact: Nathan Aalgaard, Executive Director  
Lucille Kingsley, IL Specialist

They report providing IL services (11-20) to American Indians during the past year. Their mission is to serve individuals with disabilities, including severely disabled, with the freedom to choose options for achieving their personal potential. To provide support in meeting the challenges towards independence in family, employment, education, community and country. Service area includes 18 county service areas: Stutsman, Barnes, Cass, Logan, Lamoure, Ransom, Richland, McIntosh, Dickey, and Sargent counties of North Dakota, and Clay, Becker, Wilkin, Otter Tail, Grant, Traverse, Stevens, and Pope counties of Minnesota.

*Services Provided*

Housing Transition

- ❖ Independent Living Skills Training
- ❖ Information and Referral
- ❖ Advocacy
- ❖ Peer Counseling

Attendant Care Services  
Outreach Support Groups

**Trenton Community Clinic Indian Service Area**  
PO Box 210  
Trenton, ND 58853  
(701)774-0461

This service unit's primary sources of funding are IHS and private insurances. The following services are provided:

Information and referral services	Transportation
Housing services	Therapeutic treatment
Provision of prostheses and other appliances and devices	Preventive services

**Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities**  
Norwest Bank Building  
400 E. Broadway, 3rd Floor  
Bismarck, ND 58501  
(701) 328-3950

Contact: Darrell Farland, Director

**Ohio**

**Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission**

400 E Campus View Blvd.  
Columbus, OH 43235  
(614) 438-1210 Voice/TDD

Contact: Robert L Rabe, Administrator

**Client Assistance Program**  
Governor's Office of Advocacy for  
People with Disabilities  
30 E Broad Street, Suite 1201  
Columbus, OH 43266-0400  
(614) 466-9956

Contact: Vicki L. Jenkins, Interim CAP  
Administrator

**Statewide Independent Living Council**  
Ability Center of Greater Toledo  
5605 Monroe Street  
Sylvania, OH 43560  
(419) 885-5733

Chairperson: Richard Gundun, Executive Director

**Ohio Governor's Council on People with Disabilities**

Contact: Carla Lords

400 East Campus View Boulevard

Columbus, OH 43235-4604

(614) 438-1393

(800) 282-4536 ext. 1391 Ohio only

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**Oklahoma**

**Department of Rehabilitation Services**

Department of Human Services  
3535 NW 58th Street, Suite 500  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112  
(405) 251-3400

Contact: Jerry Dunlap, Administrator

**Client Assistance Program**

Oklahoma Office of Handicapped Concerns  
2712 Villa Prom  
Oklahoma City, OK 73107-2423  
(405) 521-3756  
(800) 522-8224

Contact: Helen Kutz, Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

321 South 3rd Street, Suite 2  
McAlester, OK 74501  
(918) 426-6220

Chairperson: Mike Ward

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**Apache Tribe of Oklahoma**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 1220  
Anadarko, OK 73005  
(405) 247-7495 or 7494

Contact: DeLorna Strong, Project Director

**Cherokee Nation**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 948  
Tahlequah, OK 74465  
(918) 458-4415

Contact: Jorja Calico, Program Director

**Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 88  
219 N Broadway  
Hugo, OK 74702  
(405) 326-8304

Contact: Randy Hammons, Project Director

PO Box 1210 (Tribal Office)  
Durant, OK 74702  
(405) 924-8280

*Note: The tribal offices are located in Durant,  
but the VR project is located in the Social Security  
Office in nearby Hugo.*

**Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma**

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services

RR 1, Box 721

Perkins, OK 74059

(405) 547-2402

Contact: Linda Farley, Project Director

**Oklahomans for Independent Living**

321 S Third, Suite 2

McAlester, OK 74501

(918) 426-6220

(800) 568-6821 Voice/TDD

Contact: Mike Ward, Director

They report providing IL services for many (21-50) American Indians during the past year, amounting to 15% of their caseload. They mentioned that 100% of these American Indians were provided services on a trust territory. They serve all persons in Pittsburg County who have any kind of disability, whether physical, emotional, or mental.

*Services Provided*

- |                      |                                      |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Interpreter services | ♦ Independent living skills          |
| Recreational         | ♦ Information and referral/ advocacy |
| Resource material    | ♦ Counselor and peer counseling      |
|                      | ♦ Transportation                     |
|                      | ♦ Housing                            |
|                      | ♦ Education Awareness                |

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**Resources Encourage Living Independently (RELI)**  
PO Box 2295  
4100 SE Adams Road, Suite C 106  
Bartlesville, OK 74005-2295  
(918) 335-1314 Voice/TDD

Contact: Sharon Cooper, Executive Director

They report providing IL services for some (5-20) urban American Indians during the past year, amounting to about 6.36% of their caseload. None of these were provided on a reservation.

- | <i>Services Provided</i>     | <i>Services Provided</i>             | <i>Services Provided</i> |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Social/recreational services | ❖ Independent living skills training | Resource library         |
| Assistive technology         | ❖ Information and referral           |                          |
|                              | ❖ Peer counseling                    |                          |
|                              | ❖ Individual & systems advocacy      |                          |

**Kaiser Rehabilitation Center**  
1125 South Trenton  
Tulsa, OK 74120  
(918) 579-7100

Contact: Ms. Amy Swartz, Administrative Director  
Ms. Leslie Osburn, Admissions Coordinator

Working with the Indian Agency, and a variety of funding sources, on a case by case basis, this Rehabilitation Center has served 21-30 American Indians with significant disabilities during the past year (out of a total of 405 clients of all backgrounds). They provide a comprehensive range of IL inpatient and outpatient services.

**Governor's Committee on Employment  
of the Handicapped**

Office of Handicapped Concerns  
2712 Villa Promenade

Oklahoma City, OK 73107-2423  
(405) 521-3756 Voice/TDD/TTY  
(800) 522-8224 Voice/TDD/TTY (Oklahoma only)

Contact: Thelma Rex

Oklahoma

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## **Oregon**

**Vocational Rehabilitation**  
Department of Human Resources  
2045 Silverton Road NE  
Salem, OR 97310  
(503) 945-6201

Contact: Joil Southwell, Administrator

**Client Assistance Program**  
Oregon Disabilities Commission  
1257 Ferry Street SE  
Salem, OR 97310  
(503) 378-3142

Contact: Kim Marks, CAP Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**  
9615 Grande Ronde Road  
Grande Ronde, OR 97347  
(503) 879-2003 (Holmes)  
(503) 623-0930 Barbara Briggs, Executive Assistant to the SILC

Chairperson: Tim Holmes (Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde)  
Member: Violeta Vathe (Warm Springs Tribe)

**Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
9615 Grand Ronde Road  
Grand Ronde, OR 97347  
(503) 879-2026

Contact: Ron Hudson (Silet), Director  
Tim Holmes, (Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde), VR Counselor

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs**  
**Indian Reservation of Oregon**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box C  
Warm Springs, OR 97761  
(503) 553-4952

Contact: Don Burke, Project Director

**Oregon Disabilities Commission**  
1257 Ferry Street SE  
Salem, OR 97310  
(503) 378-3142 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Eugene Organ, Executive Director

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## Pennsylvania

**Office of Vocational Rehabilitation**  
Department of Labor & Industry Bldg.  
7th and Forester Streets  
Harrisburg, PA 17120  
(717) 787-5244

Contact: Gil Selders, Executive Director

**Client Assistance Program**  
1617 JFK Boulevard, Suite 800  
Philadelphia, PA 19103-2030  
(215) 557-7112

Contact: Stephen Pennington, Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**  
Tri-County Partnership for IL  
69 East Beau Street  
Washington, PA 15301  
(412) 223-5115

Chairperson: Kathleen Kleinmann

**Medical Center East**  
211 N Whitfield, Suite 215  
Pittsburgh, PA 15206  
(412) 363-7223

Contact: Alice Paylor, Regional Manager

**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
Office of Vocational Rehabilitation  
Labor and Industry Building  
7th and Forster Streets, Room 1315  
Harrisburg, PA 17120  
(717) 787-5232

Contact: Carl Marshall, Administrator for  
Employment

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## **Rhode Island**

### **Vocational Rehabilitation**

Department of Human Services  
40 Fountain Street  
Providence, RI 02903  
(401) 421-7005

Contact: Raymond Carroll, Acting Administrator

### **Client Assistance Program**

RI Protection & Advocacy System  
151 Broadway, Third Floor  
Providence, RI 02903  
(401) 831-3150  
(401) 831-5353 TDD

Contact: Ted Mello, CAP Director

Chairperson: Dorothy Hoye

Statewide Independent Living Council  
250 Milton Road  
Warwick, RI 02888  
(401) 467-8235

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**Governor's Commission on the Handicapped**  
Building 51, 3rd Floor  
555 Valley Street  
Providence, RI 02908-5686  
(401) 277-3731 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Christine Sullivan, Administrative  
Assistant  
Bob Cooper, Director

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**South Carolina**

**South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation**

PO Box 15

1410 Boston Avenue

West Columbia, SC 29171-0015

(803) 822-5387

Contact: Charles Larosa, Commissioner

**Client Assistance Program**

Office of the Governor

Division of Ombudsman & Citizen Services

1205 Pendleton Street, Suite 308

Columbia, SC 29201

(803) 734-0457

Contact: Larry Barker, Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

2809 Magnolia Avenue

Columbia, SC 29204

(803) 256-0497

Chairperson: Alvin Corbett (acting)

**Governor's Committee on Employment**

**of the Handicapped**

SC Vocational Rehabilitation Department

1410 Boston Avenue

PO Box 15

West Columbia, SC 29171-0015

(803) 896-6500

(803) 896-6560 TTY

Contact: Vince Rhodes, Executive Secretary

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## **South Dakota**

### **Division of Rehabilitation Services**

Department of Human Services

Hillsview Property Plaza, East Highway 34

c/o 500 East Capital

Pierre, SD 57501-5070

(605) 773-3195

(605) 773-9195 TDD

Contact: David Miller, Director  
Greg Brandner, IL Specialist

### **Client Assistance Program**

South Dakota Advocacy Services

221 South Central Avenue

Pierre, SD 57501

(605) 274-8294

(800) 658-4782

Contact: Nancy Schade, Director

Chairperson: Richard Hicks

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

221 South Central, Suite 34A

Pierre, SD 57501

(605) 945-2207

**Prairie Freedom Center for Independent Living**  
301 South Garfield, Suite 8  
Sioux Falls, SD 57104  
(605) 367-5630 Voice/TTY

Contact: Char Crisp, Director  
Helen Hartmann, Consumer  
Services Coordinator

They report having provided IL services for some (5-20) American Indians during the past year, amounting to 5% of their caseload. All of these received off-reservation services. Their mission is to empower individuals with disabilities who choose to live independently. They also have a branch office in Yankton, South Dakota.

- | <i>Services Provided</i>  | <i>Reader service</i>               |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Community living services | ❖ Independent living skills program |
| ADA education & advocacy  | ❖ Information and referral          |
| Attendant service program | ❖ Advocacy                          |
|                           | ❖ Peer support                      |

**Western Resources for Disabled Independence**

36 East Chicago Street  
Rapid City, SD 57701  
(605) 394-1930 Voice/TTD

Contact: Glade Jones, Director

This is a state administered Center for Independent Living, currently funded under Title VII, Part B. They were founded on two basic principles: (1) the inalienable right of individuals with disabilities to fully participate in their community, and (2) the right of all persons to self-determination. They report having provided IL services for about 30 American Indians during the past year, amounting to 20% of their caseload. All of these received off-reservation services. They serve a six county area in western South Dakota.

*Services Provided*

- |                                    |                                      |                        |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Recreation/Socialization           | ◆ Independent living skills training | Adaptive Equipment     |
| Housing Assistance                 | ◆ Information and referral           | Case Management        |
| Benefits Counseling                | ◆ Peer counseling                    | Outreach and Education |
| Workshops                          | ◆ Individual & systems advocacy      | Newsletter             |
| Elderly Blind/Peer Support Program | Citizen Advocacy "Friend" Program    |                        |

**Quad Squad**  
Box L  
Martin, SD 57551  
(605) 685-6846  
(605) 685-2023

Contact: Richard White (Sioux), President  
Lyle Bald Eagle (Ogala Sioux), Client  
Advocate

This non-profit organization is a group of persons with disabilities, mostly with spinal cord injuries. They describe themselves as "A positive support group for persons who are physically challenged." All members of the existing board of directors have various types of disabilities. Their dream is to build and staff their own Independent Living Center. The Porcupine Clinic, a private community health center located in Porcupine, has agreed to act as their sponsor and fiscal agent. The Quad Squad primarily serves people with disabilities on the Pine Ridge Reservation and surrounding areas. The primary services offered at this time are peer counseling, advocacy, and information and referral.

**CHR Program, Lower Brule Sioux Tribe**  
Contact: Jewel Flute, CHR  
PO Box 187  
Lower Brule, SD 57548  
(605) 473-5538

More than 50 American Indians with severe disabilities received a broad range of services from this IHS-subsidized CIIR program during the past year.

**Tataya Topa Ho**  
HCR Box 20A  
Ft. Yates, SD 58538  
(701) 854-7216

Contact: Sidney Claymore, (Lakota) Project  
Director

*Tataya Topa Ho's service area is on the Standing Rock reservation in both points of North Dakota and South Dakota*

"Tataya Topa Ho - "Voice of the Four Winds" is a Native American Independent Living Center that was recently funded by the discretionary funding of Title VII, Part C. The Tataya Topa Ho was established by the nine Sioux Nations in South Dakota. The four core IL services and the needs of individuals with disabilities will be provided in all of the nine Sioux Nations in South Dakota communities and to individuals residing within a 13-county area.

**Veteran's Administration Medical Center**  
2501 W 22nd St.  
Sioux Falls, SD 57101  
(605) 336-3230

Contact: Bill Meyer, Social Work Service

As a VA Medical Center, their services are limited to military veterans. They can provide a wide range of inpatient and outpatient services, and have served 11-20 American Indian or Alaska Native military veterans during the past year out of a total caseload of 9500.

**Rehabilitation Medicine, Ltd.**  
Physicians Office Building  
911 E 20th Street, Suite 200  
Sioux Falls, SD 57105  
(605) 334-4547

Contact: Dong S. Cho, M.D.

They report that 5-10 American Indians with severe disabilities received services at their facility during the past year. They provide a broad range of in-patient and out-patient rehabilitation services, except IL referrals.

**Standing Rock Sioux Tribe**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation  
Services  
PO Box 105  
McLaughlin, SD 57642  
(605) 823-4318

Contact: Carol McKissack, Acting Project Director  
Ron Yellow (Standing Rock Sioux), VR  
Counselor  
Dan Dogskin (Standing Rock Sioux), VR  
Counselor

HC 1 Box 4 (Tribal Office)  
Fort Yates, ND 58538  
(701) 854-3681

*Note: Tribal offices are in Ft. Yates, ND, but the VR project is across the border in McLaughlin, SD. VR Counselors travel to Fort Yates every other day to meet with their clients.*

**Lower Brule Sioux Tribe**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 187  
Lower Brule, SD 57548  
(605) 473-5244

Contact: Maria Estes, (Lower Brule Sioux),  
Project Director  
Marlene Crowe (Lower Brule Sioux),  
VR Counselor  
Bassie Loudner (Lower Brule Sioux), VR  
Technician

**Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 506  
Eagle Butte, SD 57625  
(605) 964-4400

Contact: Carol Robinson (Cheyenne River Sioux),  
Project Director

**Oglala Sioux Tribe**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 1991  
Pine Ridge, SD 57770  
(605) 867-5712

Contact: David Plume (Oglala), Project Director  
Dana Wellborn (Oglala), VR Counselor

**Siuox Valley Hospital**  
PO Box 5039  
1100 South Euclid Avenue  
Sioux Falls, SD 57117-5039  
(605) 333-1000

Contact: Michele Crissman, Administrative  
Director of Physical Medicine

They report that 5-10 American Indians with severe disabilities received services at their in-patient rehab facility during the past year. They provide a broad range of in-patient and out-patient rehabilitation services.

**CHR Program, Crow Creek Sioux Tribe**      Contact: Theresa His Law, Director  
PO Box 259  
Fort Thompson, SD 57339  
(605) 245-2284

About 21-30 American Indians with severe disabilities received a broad range of services from this tribally-funded CHR program during the past year. Services provided are dialysis transportation to Pierre two times a week, home visits, follow-up after discharge from the hospital, check-ups on diabetes, amputations, and diabetes education and foot care.

**Indian Health Services**  
PO Box 248  
Lower Brule, SD 57548  
(605)473-5625

Contact: Helen Thiry-Chmela, Director Public Health  
Nursing

This service unit's primary source of funds is IHS. The following is a list of services:

- Information and referral services
- Referral and assistance for transportation
- Housing services
- Rehabilitation technology
- Provision of prostheses and other appliances and devices
- Maintaining registries
- Personal assistance services
- Counseling services
- Individual and systems advocacy

**Rosebud Indian Health Services**

PO Box 400

Rosebud, SD 57570

(605)747-2231

ext. 493 Dr. Flatley

ext. 425 Ms. Wells

Contact: Dr. Brigid Flatley, Clinical Social Worker  
Marilyn Wells, Social Services Representative

This service unit's primary source of funds is IHS. The following is a list of services:

- Information and referral services
- Referral and assistance for transportation
- Housing services
- Rehabilitation technology
- Independent living skills training
- Provision of prostheses and other appliances and devices

- Individual and systems advocacy
- Counseling services
- Personal assistance services
- Mobility training
- Peer Counseling

**Home Modification and Adaptive Devices Program**  
**Division of Rehabilitation Services**  
Hillsview Properties Plaza, East Hwy 34  
c/o 500 East Capital  
Pierre, SD 57501-5070  
(605) 773-3195 Voice/TDD

Contact: Greg Brandner, IL Specialist  
Centers for IL Service Providers,  
or VR Counselors

Services provided under the Home Modification and Adaptive Devices program are for individuals with severe disabilities living in South Dakota who meet economic need. The scope of services is limited to only those services necessary for the consumer to live more independently in the family or community. The program will purchase adaptive devices (i.e. reachers, doorbell indicators, eating utensils, personal hygiene & dressing aids, hand controls, environmental controls, etc.), and home modifications (i.e. ramps, widen doorways, bathroom, and kitchen modifications, other architectural modifications to make the premises accessible, etc.). The services do not include medical, prosthetic or orthotic devices (i.e. hospital beds or related equipment, wheelchairs, artificial limbs, devices for supporting or assisting limb functions, medical supplies or medications, etc.). Other examples outside the scope of services are: 1) purchasing expensive silverware instead of an adapted knife, spoon, or fork; and 2) ramps constructed of expensive materials such as solid oak instead of treated lumber.

The consumer must meet economic need which is determined by completing a financial and economic status form. A service plan must be developed which documents the services to be provided and the expected outcome, unless the consumer signs a waiver stating a plan is unnecessary.

The following is a list of VR counselors who provide services on reservations. These counselors do not primarily provide independent living services, but they will provide IL services when needed.

<u>Counselor</u>	<u>Reservation(s)</u>	<u>Reservation(s)</u>
<b>Keith Rouse,</b> (Yankton Sioux)	Standing Rock Sioux Cheyenne River	Larry Cass South Dakota RSA 912 East Sioux, c/o 500 East Capital Pierre, SD 57501 (605) 773-3318
South Dakota RSA 912 East Sioux, c/o 500 East Capital Pierre, SD 57501 (605) 773-3318		Bob Beck Lower Brule
		South Dakota RSA Time Square Plaza 111-A New York Street Rapid City, SD 57701 (605) 394-2261
<b>Joe Rehurek</b> South Dakota RSA 1000 W Fourth St., Suite 1 Yankton, SD 57078 (605) 668-3050	Yankton-Santee	Cindy Ryan Rosebud
		South Dakota RSA 912 East Sioux, c/o 500 East Capital Pierre, SD 57501 (605) 773-3318
<b>Karen Montgomery</b> South Dakota RSA 315 South Wilson Aberdeen, SD 57401 (605) 626-2398	Sisseton and Wahpeton	

**Governor's Advisory Committee on Employment**

**of People with Disabilities**

Department of Human Services

East Highway 34, Hillsview Plaza

c/o 500 East Capitol

Pierre, SD 57501

(605) 773-5990

(605) 773-4544 TDD/TTY

Contact: William Podhradsky, Department  
Secretary

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## Tennessee

**Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**  
400 Deaderick Street  
Nashville, TN 37248-0060  
(615) 741-2521

Contact: Jack Van Hooser, Assistant Commissioner

**Client Assistance Program**  
Tennessee P & A, Inc.  
PO Box 121257  
Nashville, TN 37212  
(615) 298-1080

Contact: Dan Suggs, CAP Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**  
PO Box 7  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Murfreesboro, TN 37132  
(615) 898-2783

Chairperson: John Harris

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**Tennessee Committee for Employment of**

**People with Disabilities**

Division of Rehabilitation Services  
Citizens Plaza Building, Room 1100

400 Deaderick Street

Nashville, TN 37219

(615) 313-4714 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Trish Farmer

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**Texas**

**Texas Rehabilitation Commission**  
4900 N Lamar, Room 7102  
Austin, TX 78751-2316  
(512) 483-4001

Contact: Vernon M. Arrell, Commissioner  
Vernon Dement, IL Specialist

**Client Assistance Program**  
Advocacy, Inc.  
7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 171-E  
Austin, TX 78757  
(512) 454-4816

Contact: Judy Sokolow, CAP Coordinator

**Statewide Independent Living Council**  
8610 Broadway Suite 420  
San Antonio, TX 78217  
(512) 707-2215

Chairperson: Carl Wright

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The following is a list of Texas Rehabilitation Commission independent living counselors who have provided services to American Indians.

Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
John McCann	Ed Estrada	David Freemeyer
TRC- Austin North Field Office 5203 Cameron Road, Suite A Austin, TX 78723 (512) 458-9121	TRC - Central Field Office 6585 Montana, Bldg. S, Suite 600 El Paso, TX 79925 (915) 778-7714	TRC- Dallas Field Office NIE 6500 Greenville Avenue Dallas, TX 75206 (214) 692-1665
Roger Peterson	Marilyn Zinsmeyer	William van Smith
TRC - San Antonio Sales 8610 Broadway, Suite 425 San Antonio, TX 78217 (210) 822-9886	TRC - North McAllen Field Office 5305 North McCall McAllen, TX 78504 (210) 687-1124	TRC-Irving 1636 W Irving Road Suite 100 Irving, TX 75061 (214) 692-1665

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**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**  
PO Box 12428  
Austin, TX 78711  
(512) 463-5739  
(512) 463-5746 TDD/TTY

Contact: Virginia Roberts, Executive  
Director

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## **Utah**

**Utah State Office of Rehabilitation**

250 East 500 South

Salt Lake City, UT 84111

(801) 538-7530 Voice/TDD

Contact: R. Blaine Peterson, Ed.D.,

Executive Director

**Client Assistance Program****Legal Center for People with Disabilities**

455 East 400 South, Suite 410

Salt Lake City, UT 84101

(801) 363-1347

(800) 662-9080

Contact: Nancy Friel, CAP Coordinator

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

1800 Southwest Temple Street

Suite 317

Salt Lake City, UT 84115

Chairperson: Nancy Wagner

**Governor's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities**

120 North 200 West, Room 201  
PO Box 45500

Salt Lake City UT 84103  
(801) 538-7781 Voice  
(801) 538-4192 TDD/TTY

Contact: Sherry Repscher, Director

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## **Vermont**

### **Vocational Rehabilitation Division**

Agency of Human Services

Osgood Building, Waterbury Complex

103 S Main Street

Waterbury, VT 05676  
(802) 241-2186

Contact: Diane Dalmasse, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

PO Box 1367

Burlington, VT 04502

(802) 863-2881

(800) 747-5022

Contact: Judy Dixon, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

RR #2, Box 190

Springfield, VT 05156

(802) 546-4587

Co-Chairperson: Indgid Anderson

123 Walnut Street  
Rutland, VT 05701  
(802) 786-5080

Co-Chairperson: Dan Gilman

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**Governor's Committee on Employment of**

**People with Disabilities**

c/o Vermont DD Council  
103 South Main Street  
Waterbury, VT 05671-0206  
(802) 241-2612 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Thomas Pourbard, Administrator

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**Virginia**

**Department of Rehabilitative Services**

8004 Franklin Farms Drive  
PO Box K300  
Richmond, VA 23288  
(804) 367-1641

Contact: Robert Vaughn, Commissioner

**Client Assistance Program**

Department for Rights of Virginians with Disabilities  
202 North Ninth Street, 9th floor  
Richmond, VA 23219  
(804) 225-2042  
(800) 552-3962

Contact: Sandra K. Reen, Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

Blue Ridge ILC  
1502-D Williams Road NE  
Roanoke, VA 24012  
(540) 342-1231

Chairperson: Karen Michalski

**The Virginia Board for People with Disabilities**

PO Box 613

Richmond, VA 23205-0613

(804) 786-0016 Voice/TDD/TTY

(800) 846-4464 Voice/TDD/TTY (Virginia Only)

Contact: Brian S. Parsons, Acting Director

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## **Washington**

### **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Department of Social & Health Services

PO Box 45340

Olympia, WA 98504

(360) 438-8000

Contact: Jeanne Munro, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

2531 Rainier Avenue South

Seattle, WA 98144

(206) 721-5999

(800) 544-2121 (State of Washington Only)

Contact: Jerry Johnsen, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

Disability Resource Center

Washington State University

Cleveland 57

Pullman, WA 99164-2105

(509) 335-1726

Chairperson: Marshall Mitchell

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**Providence Chehalis Rehabilitation Program**

500 SE Washington Ave  
PO Box 1507  
Chehalis, WA 98532-9990  
(360) 748-4444

Contact: Sally S. Villas, RN

They report that 5-10 American Indians/ Alaska Natives with severe disabilities received services at their facility during the past year. They provide a number of in-patient and out-patient rehabilitation services, including referrals to VR/IL counselors.

**The Rehabilitation Center**

St. Joseph Hospital & Health Care Center  
1718 South I Street  
PO Box 2197  
Tacoma, WA 98401  
(206) 591-6761

Contact: Leslie Newsham

They report that 5-10 American Indians/ Alaska Natives with severe disabilities received services at their facility during the past year. They provide a broad range of in-patient, out-patient, and home health rehabilitation services.

**Colville Confederated Tribes**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 150  
Nespelem, WA 99155  
(509) 634-8842

Contact: Marie Covington, Project Director

**Yakima Indian Nation**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
Human Services Department  
PO Box 151  
Toppenish, WA 98948  
(509) 865-5121, ext. 541

Contact: Roger Fiander, Project Director

**Northwest Washington Inter-tribal Education  
and Training Board**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
PO Box 460  
Darrington, WA 98241  
(360) 436-0345  
(800) 206-4360

Contact: Cindy Dodd, Project Director

**South Puget Intertribal Planning**  
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services  
SE 2750 Old Olympic Highway  
Shelton, WA 98584  
(360) 426-3990

Contact: Carol Cordova, Project Director

**National American Indian Environmental  
Illness Foundation**  
PO Box 1039  
Longbeach, WA 98631  
(360) 665-3913

Contact: Terri Hansen

The National American Indian Environmental Illness Foundation was established in 1994 by American Indians. Our mission is to serve as an information network for native people with chemically induced neuroimmunoendocrine disorders of the nervous, respiratory, gastrointestinal and musculo-skeletal system, including chronic fatigue/immune dysfunction syndrome, multiple chemical sensitivity, fibromyalgia syndrome, environmental illness, Gulf War syndrome, sick building syndrome, neurotoxicity, chemical "allergies", and chemically induced diseases including lupus, porphyria, arthritis, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder, and depression.

The National American Indian Environmental Illness Foundation is compiling a list of Indian Health Service (IHS) and non-IHS physicians and practitioners knowledgeable about the disorders. If you know of a medical practitioner who should be included on this list, please send their name and address. You may be helping a future person with environmental illness in your area. For a listing of these physicians, please send a self-addressed stamped envelope to the National American Indian Environmental Illness Foundation.

**Governor's Committee on Disability  
Issues and Employment**

Employment Services Division  
Employment Security Bldg., MS:6000  
PO Box 9046  
Olympia, WA 98507-9046  
(360) 438-3168  
(360) 438-3167 TDD/TTY  
(800) 833-6388

Contact: Marlene Davis

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## **West Virginia**

### **Division of Rehabilitation Services**

State Board of Rehabilitation

PO Box 5090

State Capital Complex

Charleston, WV 25305

(304) 766-4601

Contact: William C. Derian, Director

### **Client Assistance Program**

West Virginia Advocates, Inc.

Litton Bldg., 4th Floor

1207 Quarrier Street

Charleston, WV 25301

(304) 346-0847 or (800) 950-5250

Contact: Susan Edwards, Director

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

Mountain State CIL, Inc.

914 1/2 Fifth Avenue

Huntington, WV 25701

(304) 525-3324

Chairperson: Anni Weeks

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**Governor's Committee on Employment  
of People with Disabilities**

Division of Rehabilitation Services

State Capitol Building

PO Box 50890

Charleston, WV 25305

(304) 558-3408

(304) 558-6328 TTY

Contact: Judy Reed, District One Manager

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## Wisconsin

**Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**  
Department of Work Force Development  
2917 International Lane  
PO Box 7852  
Madison, WI 53707-7852  
(608) 243-5603 (Norman-Nunnery)  
(608) 243-5648 (Zimbars)  
(608) 243-5601 TDD

Contact: Judy Norman-Nunnery, Ph.D.,  
Administrator  
Dwayne Zimbars, Supervisor  
of the Planning Unit

**Client Assistance Program**  
Governor's Commission for People with Disabilities  
1 W Wilson Street, Room 558  
PO Box 7850  
Madison, WI 53707-7852  
(608) 267-5378 (Yochum)  
(608) 267-7422 (Vegoe)  
(608) 267-5016 (Lujoy)  
(800) 362-1290 (Wisconsin only)

Contact: Paul Yochum, CAP Director  
Linda Vegoe, CAP Coordinator  
Larry Lajoie, Complaint  
Investigator

**Independent Living Services of North Central Wisconsin**

1710 West Stewart Avenue

Wausau, WI 54401-5379

(715) 842-4805

(800) 644-4805 Voice/TTY

Contact: Sharon Hjella,  
Executive Director

This CIL services an 11 county area in north central Wisconsin which includes three tribal reservations: Lac Du Flambeau Chippewa, Forest Count Potawatomi, and Mole Lake Sokaogon Chippewa. Additionally, there are a significant number of Winnebago who reside in the southern portion of this area. They presently serve some (5-20) American Indians, who constitute about 8-10% of their IL caseload. About half of these received services on a reservation. Native Americans have been recruited to serve on their Board of Directors and Advisory Board. Staff are encouraged to attend pow-wows, participate in talking circles, and interact with Native American communities. They also plan to recruit and hire a Native American community resource specialist soon.

*Services Provided*

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Service coordination           | ♦ Independent living skills training | Community advocacy        |
| Assistive device training      | ♦ Information and referral           | Housing services          |
| Home accessibility assessment  | ♦ Peer counseling                    | Family advocacy           |
| Consumer information programs  | ♦ Individual & systems advocacy      | Rehabilitation technology |
| Social & recreational services |                                      |                           |

**Independent Living Program**  
Curative Rehabilitation Center  
PO Box 8027  
Green Bay, WI 54308  
(414) 468-1161 ext. 183

Contact: Katherine Barry, Client Services  
Coordinator

This is a state administered IL program (Title VII Part B) which is part of the Curative Rehabilitation Center. It has provided IL services to some (5-20) American Indians during the past year, amounting to 2% of their caseload. Of these, 5% received services on a reservation, and 1.5% received off-reservation services. They serve a 17 county area in northeast Wisconsin. The Independent Living Program staff assist individuals having severe physical, developmental and sensory disability to live as independently as their abilities permit. ILP staff have provided service to some (5-20) American Indians during the past year. ILP serves a 17 count area in northeast Wisconsin.

<i>Services Provided</i>			
Housing referrals	♦ Independent living skills training	Rehabilitation technology	
Assistive technology assessment and tryout	♦ Information and referral	Public education	
	♦ Peer counseling	Home assessment	
	♦ Individual & systems advocacy		

**Statewide Independent Living Council**  
Deb Wisniewski c/o SILC  
PO Box 7850  
Madison, WI 53707-7850  
(608) 266-7797 Deb Wisniewski, SILC Coordinator

Chairperson: Karen Hodgson  
Ad Hoc: Gerald Weso (Menominee)

**Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities**  
Client Assistance Program  
PO Box 7850  
Madison, WI 53707-7852  
(608) 266-5378 Voice/TTY

Contact: Paul Yochum, Executive Director

Wyoming

**Division of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Department of Employment

1100 Herschler Bldg.

Cheyenne, WY 82002

(307) 777-7385 Voice/TDD

Contact: Gary W. Child, Administrator

**Client Assistance Program**

Wyoming P & A System, Inc.

2424 Pioneer Avenue, Suite 101

Cheyenne, WY

(307) 638-7668

(307) 632-3496 TDD

(800) 821-3091

Contact: Jeanne Thoero, Executive Director

**Statewide Independent Living Council**

PO Box 228

Powell, WY 82435

(307) 754-7179

Chairperson: Betty Jo Burgess

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**LIFE Center, Inc.**  
Living Independently for Equality  
150 Wyoming Street, Suite 10  
Lander, WY 82520  
(307) 332-4889 Voice/TTY  
(800) 266-3061 clients only

Contact: Carol Fontain, Director  
Gay McDonald, IL Specialist  
Rose Devinney, JTPA Trainee on  
Reservation

This is a non-profit CIL which provided IL services to about 47 American Indians in the past year. Ms. Devinney's caseload consists of 100% American Indians, several received services on a reservation. Their District I (307-332-3056) includes the Wind River Reservation (Shoshone-Arapaho). Service area is in the 10 western counties of Wyoming to enable people with severe disabilities to live independently. Services include:

*Services Provided*

- ❖ Information and referral
- ❖ Peer counseling
- ❖ Advocacy services
- ❖ Adaptive equipment and housing modifications
- ❖ Independent Living Skills

**Governor's Committee on Employment**

**of the Handicapped**

1st Floor - East Wing  
Herschler Building, Room 1126  
Cheyenne, WY 82002  
(307) 777-7191 Voice/TDD/TTY

Contact: Woodrow Absher, Director

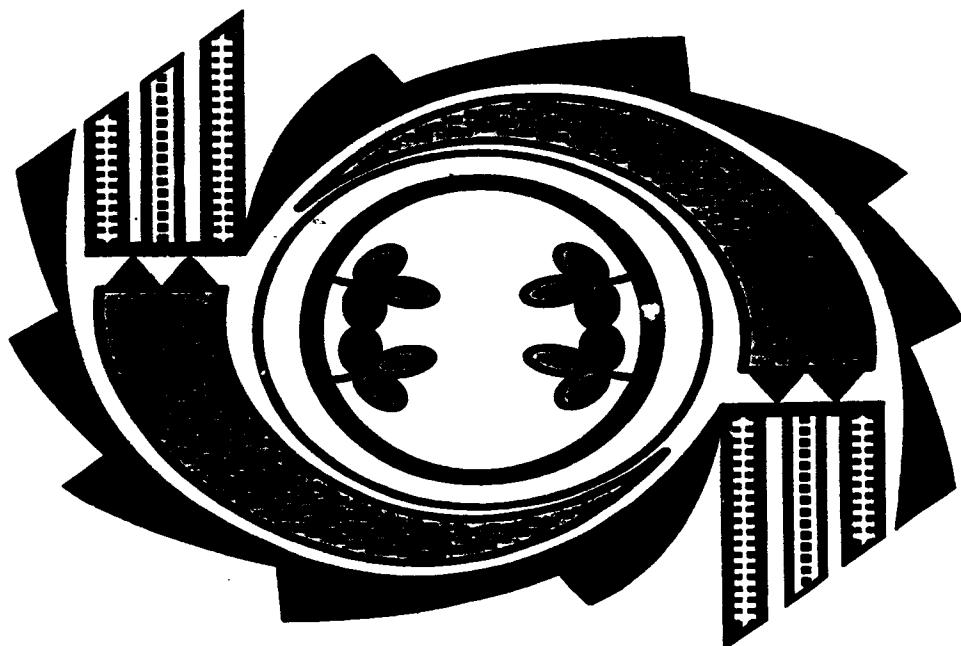
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Toll Free Numbers  
for Disability  
Related Agencies

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*Note: 800 numbers do not work from the organization's local area. See the listing in this directory for details and for local telephone numbers.  
800 numbers are offered by an organization to increase its accessibility.*

<b>Ability Access, Inc</b> 800/858-5116	<b>Al-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc.</b> 800/442-4525 (Meeting Information:Canada)	<b>American Athletic Association of the Deaf (AAAD)</b> 800/346-4128 (voice relay in Utah only)	<b>American Horticultural Therapy Association (AHTA)</b> 800/634-1603	<b>American Kidney Fund, Inc.</b> 800/638-8299
<b>ABLEDATA Database Program</b> 800/227-0216	<b>Alliance of Genetic Support Groups</b> 800/336-GENE	<b>American Burn Association</b> 800/548-2876 <b>American Cancer Society (ACS)</b> 800/ACS-2345	<b>American Communities</b> 800/998-9999 800/877-8339 (TT)	<b>American Kinesiotherapy Association</b> 800/296-AKTA
<b>Ablenet, Inc.</b> 800/322-0956	<b>Alzheimer's Association</b> 800/272-3900	<b>American Council of the Blind (ACB)</b> 800/424-8666 (3-5:30 EST)	<b>American Leprosy Mission International (ALM International)</b> 800/873-3131	
<b>Access to Respite Care and Help (ARCH)</b> 800/472-1727	<b>Alzheimer's Disease Education and Referral (ADEAR) Center</b> 800/438-4380	<b>American Diabetes Association, Inc. (ADA)</b> 800/232-3472	<b>American Library Association (ALA)</b> 800/545/2433	
<b>AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS)</b> 800/874-2572 (V) 800/243-7012 (TT)	<b>American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE)</b> 800/338-3633	<b>American Association of Kidney Patients (AAKP)</b> 800/749-2257	<b>The American Liver Foundation</b> 800/223-0179	

American Lung Association (ALA) 800/LUNG-USA	American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC) 800/942-2932 (V/TT)	Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Association (ALSA) 800/782-4747	Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America (AAFA) 800/7-ASTHMA
The American Lupus Society (TALS) 800/331-1802	American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons (ASPRS) 800/635-0635 (Plastic Surgeon Referral Service)	Apple Computer, Inc. 800/776-2333	AT&T Accessible Communications Products Center (ACPC) 800/233-1222 (V/TT)
American Paralysis Association (APA) 800/526-3456 201/379-2690 (in New Jersey)	American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) 800/638-8255	Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (ATBCB) 800/872-2253 (V/TT) 800/USA-ABLE (V/TT)	Battens Disease Support and Research Association (BDSRA) 800/448-4570
American Parkinson Disease Association (APDA) 800/223-2732	Americans with Disabilities Act Technical Assistance Initiative 800/949-4232 (V/TT)	Association on Mental Retardation 800/ 424-3688	Beach Center on Families and Disability 800/854-4938
American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) 800/999-2732	American Syringomyelia Alliance Project, Inc. (ASAP) 800/ASAP-282	Association for Retarded Citizens 800/ 433-5255	Beckwith-Wiedemann Support Network (BWSN) 800/837-2976 (parents only)
American Printing House for the Blind (APH) 800/223-1839	American Trauma Society (ATS) 800/556-7890		

Better Hearing Institute (BHI) 800/EAR-WELL	Bulimia Anorexia Self Help/Behavior Adaptation Support and Healing (BASH) 800/762-3334 800/227-4785	Center for Rehabilitation Technology (CRT) 800/726-9119 (V/TT)	Council of Citizens with Low Vision International (CCLVI) 800/733-2258
Blind Children's Center (BCC) 800/222-3566 (Outside California) 800/222-3567 (California)	The Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation (CCCF) 800/366-2223 800/237-6243 (V/TT)	Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information 800/FYI-3366 (outside Washington, DC metro area)	Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America, Inc. (CCFA) 800/343-3637
Blinded Veterans Association (BVA) 800/669-7079	CDC National AIDS Clearinghouse 800/458-5231 (V) 800/243-7012 (TT)	Cleft Plate Foundation 800/24-CLEFT	Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (CFF) 800/344-4823 The Deafness Research Foundation 800/535-DEAF (V/TT)
Brain Injury Association, Inc. (BIA)/National Head Injury Foundation, Inc. (NHIF) 800/444-NHIF	CDC National AIDS Hotline 800/342-2437 (V) 800/243-7889 (TT)	Comprehensive Advocacy, Inc. (Co-Ad) 800/632-5125 (V/TT)	Descriptive Video Service (DVS) 800/333-1203
Breaking New Ground Resource Center 800/822-4264 (V/TT)	Center for Consumer Healthcare Information (CCHI) 800/627-2244	Cornelia de Lange Syndrome Foundation (CdLS Foundation) 800/223-8355	Devereux Referral Assistance 800/345-1292, ext. 3045

"Dial a Hearing Screening Test" (DAHST) 800/222-EARS 215/544-7700 (Canada only)	ERIC Clearinghouse on Disabilities and Gifted Education (ERIC/EC) Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) 800/328-0272	The Family Caregiver Alliance (FCA) 800/445-8106 (California only)	HEALTHSOUTH Corporation 800/768-0018
Disability and Business Technical Assistance Centers (DBTACs) 800/949-4232 (V/TT) 800/949-4ADA	Estate Planning for the Disabled 800/ 448-1071	The Feingold Association of the United States (FAUS) 800/321-FAUS	Hearing Information Center 800/622-EARS
'The EAR Foundation at Baptist Hospital 800/545-HEAR (V/TT)	Fair Housing Information Clearinghouse 800/343-3442	Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. 800/223-0624	HEAR NOW 800/648-4327
Epilepsy Foundation of America (EFA) 800/332-1000(patient information & referral) 800/332-4050(National Epilepsy Library) 800/332-2070 (TT)	Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) 800/886-1762	Glaucoma Research Foundation 800/826-6693	Higher Education and Adult Training for People with Disabilities (HEATH) Resource Center 800/544-324 (Outside Washington, DC) 202/939-9320 (V/TT)
ERIC Clearinghouse on Counseling and Student Services (CASS) 800/414-9769	Family Survival Project (California Only) 800/ 445-8106	HEATH Resource Center (800) 544-3284	Home Builders Institute 800/795-7955

HUD USER 800/245-2691 (V) 800/877-8339 (TT)	Independent Living Research Utilization Program (ILRU) 800/949-4232	Job Accommodation Network (JAN) 800/526-7234 (U.S. only, V/TT) 800/526-2262 (Canada only)	The Lighthouse Inc. 800/334-5497 (V)
Human Growth Foundation (HGF) 800/451-6434	Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) 800/336-4474	Job Opportunities for the Blind (JOB) 800/638-7518	Living and Learning Resource Centre (LLRC) 800/833-1996
Huntington's Disease Society of America (HDSA) 800/345-4372	International Hearing Society 800/521-5247	Jean Tracy Clinic 800/522-4582 (V/TT)	Lupus Foundation of America, Inc. 800/558-0121
IBM National Support Center for Persons with Disabilities 800/ 426-2133 800/ 284-9482 (TDD)	International Lutheran Deaf Association (ILDA) 800/433-3954 (V/TT)	"Just Say No" International 800/258-2766	Lutheran Library for the Blind 800/433-3754
IBM Special Needs Systems 800/426-4832 (V) 800/426-4833 (TT)	International Rett Syndrome Association (IRSA) 800/818-RETT	Library Services to the Deaf Forum (LSDF) 800/545-2433	Modern Talking Picture Services, Inc. 800/ 237-6213
Immune Deficiency Foundation (IDF) 800/296-4433	Job Accommodation Network 800/JAN..7234 800/JAN-4698 (in WV)	Myasthenia Gravis Foundation (MGF) 800/541-5454	

National Adult Literacy and Learning Disabilities Center (National ALLDCenter) 800/953-ALLD (2553)	National Aphasia Association (NAA) 800/922-4622	National Brain Injury and Family Helpline 800/ 444-6443	National Christian Resource Center on Mental Retardation 800/369-4636, ext. 284
National AIDS Information Clearinghouse 800/ 342-2437	National Association for Hearing and Speech Action (NAHSA) 800/638-8266 (V/TT)	National Cancer Institute (NCI) 800/422-6237	National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information 800/729-6686 800/487-4889 (TT)
National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) 800/950-NAMI	National Association for the Craniofacially Handicapped (FACES) 800/3FACES3	National Captioning Institute, Inc. (NCI) 800/533-9673 (V) 800/321-8337 (V/TT)	National Clearinghouse of Rehabilitation Training Materials (NCHRTM) 800/233-5219
National Alliance of Blind Students (NABS) 800/424-8666	National Association for the Dually Diagnosed (NADD) 800/331-5362	National Center for Research in Vocational Education (NCRVE) 800/762-4093	National Clearinghouse on Family Support and Children's Mental Health 800/628-1696 (V)
National Amputee Golf Association (NAGA) 800/633-6242	National Audiovisual Center 800/234-8861	National Center for Stuttering (NCS) 800/221-2483	National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. (NCADD) 800/NCA-CALL

**National Depressive  
and Manic-Depressive  
Association**  
800 / 826-3632

**National Eye Care  
Project (NECP)**  
800/222-3937

**National Hospice  
Organization (NHO)**  
800/658-8898 (Hospice  
referral and Information  
only)  
800 / 438-9376  
800 / 854-7013 (TT)

**National Down  
Syndrome Congress  
(NDSC)**  
800/232-6372

**National Fragile X  
Foundation**  
800/688-8765

**National Headache  
Foundation (NHF)**  
800/843-2256

**National Easter Seal  
Society (NESS)**  
800/221-6827

**National Information  
Center for Children  
and Youth with  
Disabilities (NICHCY)**  
800/695-0285 (V/TT)

**National Information  
Center on Health  
Services Research and  
Health Care  
Technology (NICHSR)**  
800/272-4787

**National Institute  
for Rehabilitation  
Engineering (NIRE)**  
800/736-2216 ext. 859

**National Institute  
of Neurological  
Disorders and Stroke  
(NINDS)**  
800/352-9424

**National Information  
Clearinghouse for  
Infants with  
Disabilities & Life-  
Threatening  
Conditions**  
800/922-9234 ext.201  
(V/TT)  
800/922-1107 (South  
Carolina Only)

**National  
Empowerment Center**  
800/769-3728

National Institute on Human Resources and Aging 800/647-8233	National Mental Health Association (NMHA) 800/969-NMHA	National Organization on Disability (NOD) 800/248-ABLE	National Reye's Syndrome Foundation (NRSF) 800/233-7393
National Kidney Foundation (NKF) 800/622-9010	National Mental Health Consumers' Self-Help Clearinghouse 800/553-4539	National Parkinson Foundation 800/327-4545 800/433-7022	National Society to Prevent Blindness (NSPB) 800/331-2020
National Lekotek Center 800/366-PLAY	National Mental Health Institute on Deafness, Inc. 800/752-7345 (V/TT)	National Rehabilitation Information Center (NARIC) 800/346-2742 (V/TT)	National Spinal Cord Injury Hotline (SCIH) 800/526-9629
National Library of Medicine (NLM) 800/-272-4787	National Multiple Sclerosis Society 800/344-4867 (Monday-Thursday, 11 am to 5 pm EST)	National Resource Center on Homelessness and Mental Illness 800/444-7415	National Stroke Association (NSA) 800/STROKES
National Lymphedema Network (NLN) 800/541-3259	National Neurofibromatosis Foundation (NNFF) 800/323-7938 (V/TT)	National Retinitis Pigmentosa Foundation (RP Foundation Fighting Blindness) 800/683-5555 800/683-5551 (TT)	National Stuttering Project (NSP) 800/364-1677
The National Marfan Foundation (NMF) 800/8-MARFAN	The National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD) 800/999-NORD	The National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD) 800/999-NORD	Neurofibromatosis, Inc. (NF, Inc.) 800/942-6825

<b>North American Riding for the Handicapped Association (NARHA)</b> 800/369-7433	Parkinson's Disease Foundation, Inc. (PDF) 800/457-6676	The Phoenix Society for Burn Survivors, Inc. 800/888-BURN (toll-free for burn survivors)  800/628-2281 (TT)	Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center on Technology Evaluation and Transfer  800/628-2281 (TT)
<b>Orton Dyslexia Society</b> 800/222-3123	Parkinson's Educational Program 800/344-7872	Polycystic Kidney Research Foundation (PKRF) 800/753-2873	Research and Training Center on Family Support and Children's Mental Health 800/628-1696 (V)
<b>Office on Smoking and Health (OSH) Technical Information Center (TIC)</b> 800/CDC-1311	Pediatric Projects, Inc. (PPI) 800/947-0947	PsychINFO 800/374-2722 (V)	Research and Training Center on Rural Rehabilitation Services 800/732-0323
<b>(Promotional materials hotline)</b>			
<b>Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA)</b> 800/424-8200 (V) 800/795-4327 (TT)	Peterson's Guides 800/338-3282	Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic Inc. (book orders only) 800/221-4792	Resource Center on Substance Abuse Prevention and Disability--VSA Educational Service 800/628-8442
<b>Parents Let's Unite for Kids (PLUK)</b> 800/222-7585 (MT only)	The Perspectives Network (TPN) 800/685-6302	Rehabilitation Continuing Education Programs (RCEPs) 800/877-8339 (Federal Information Relay Service)	Rural Information Center (RIC) 800/633-7701

Scleroderma Federation 800/422-1113	Spina Bifida Association of America (SBA) 800/621-3141	Technical Assistance for Parent Programs (TAPP) 800/331-0688 (in state only)	United Leukodystrophy Foundation (ULF) 800/728-5483
Short Stature Foundation 800/24-DWARF	Spinal Cord Injury Network International (SCINI) 800/548-2673	Tele-Consumer Hotline 800/332-1124 (V/TT)	United Scleroderma Foundation, Inc. (USF) 800/722-HOPE(For New Inquiries Only)
Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc. (SCDAA) 800/421-8453	Spinal Network 800/543-4116	Tourette Syndrome Association (TSA) 800/237-0717	U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) 800/669-3362 (V) For free publications 800/800-3302 (TT) 800/669-4000 (V) For technical assistance
The Simon Foundation of Continence 800/23 SIMON	Stuttering Foundation of America (SFA) 800/992-9392	TRIPOD GRAPEVINE 800/352-8888 (V/TT) 800/2-TRIPOD (V/TT Calif. Only)	800/800-3302 (TT) 800/669-4000 (V) For technical assistance
Social Security Administration (SSA) 800/772-1213 (V) 800/325-0778 (TDD)	Stuttering Resource Foundation 800/232-4773	Turner's Syndrome Society of the United States (TSS-US)	Vermont Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center in Low-Back Pain 800/527-7320 (nationwide, except in Vermont)
Sociological Abstracts, Inc. (SA) 800/752-3945	TASH 800/800-JUST (V)	United Cerebral Palsy Associations, Inc. (UCPA) 800/USA-5UCP	

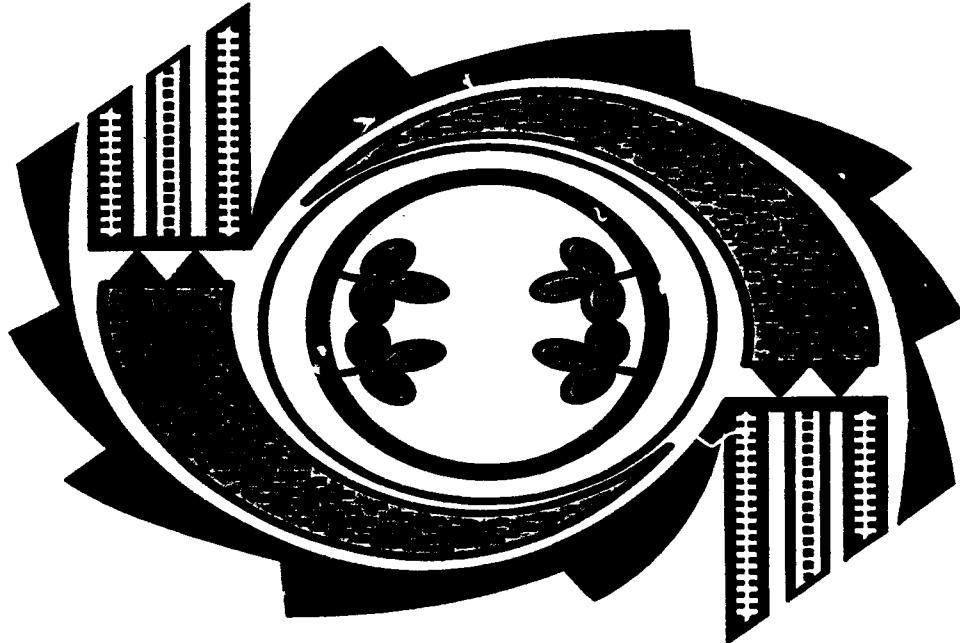
Vestibular Disorders Association (VEDA) 800/837-8428	Von Hippel-Lindau Family Alliance 800/767-4VHL	Wilderness Inquiry 800/728-0719 (V)
VISION Foundation, Inc. 800/852-3029 (Massachusetts only)	Walk Easy, Inc. 800/441-2904	Zain Hansen MPS Foundation 800/767-3121
Visiting Nurse Associations of America (VNAA) 800/426-2547	Wegener's Granulomatosis Support Group, Inc. (WGS) 800/277-WGSG	

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**Appendix A**  
**National**  
**Project Advisory**  
**Committee**



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**Greg Brandner, IL Specialist**  
Division of Rehabilitation Services  
Pierre, South Dakota

**Russ Bull, IL Counselor**  
Rehabilitation Services Administration  
Arizona Department of Economic Security  
Flagstaff, Arizona

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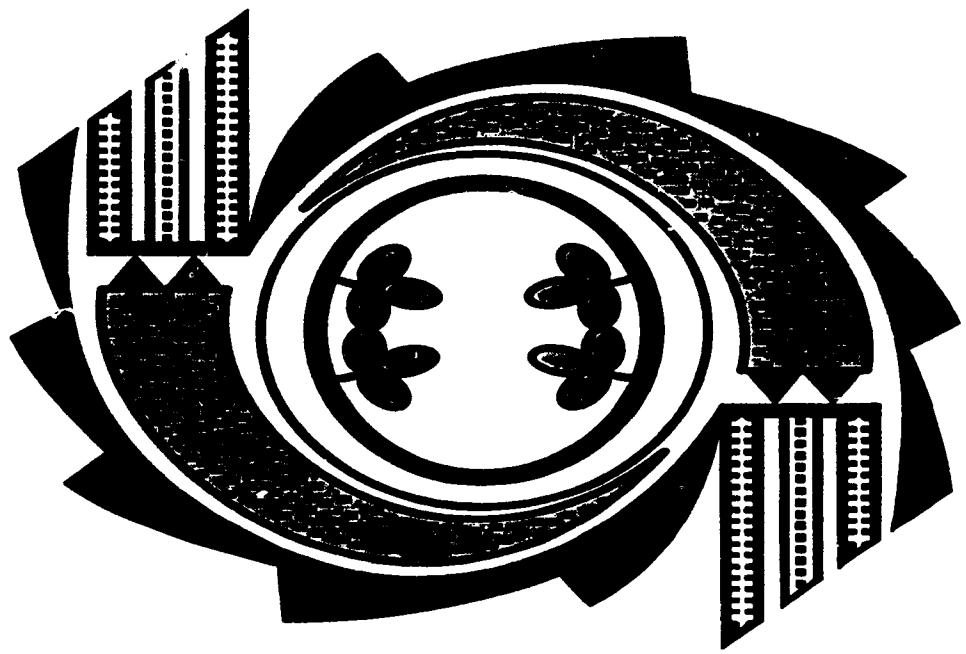
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### *Center for Independent Living*

The term 'center for independent living' means a consumer-controlled, community-based, cross-disability, nonresidential private nonprofit agency that

- is designed and operated within a local community by individuals with disabilities
- provides an array of independent living services

[29 USC 796a; P.L. 102-569, 106 STAT. 4443]

### *Independent Living Services*

The term 'independent living services' includes

- independent living core services
- (i) counseling services, including psychological, psychotherapeutic, and related services
- (ii) services related to securing housing or shelter, including services related to community group living, and supportive of the purposes of this Act and of the titles of this Act, and adaptive housing services (including appropriate accommodations to and modifications of any space used to serve, or occupied by, individuals with disabilities)
- (iii) rehabilitation technology
- (iv) mobility training
- (v) services and training for individuals with cognitive and sensory disabilities, including life skills training, and interpreter and reader services

### *Independent Living Core Services*

The term 'independent living services' means

- information and referral services
- independent living skills training
- peer counseling (including cross-disability peer counseling)
- individual and systems advocacy

[P.L. 102-569, 106 STAT. 4353, re 29 USC 706(29)]

- (vi) personal assistance services, including attendant care and the training of personnel providing such service
- (vii) surveys, directories, and other activities to identify appropriate housing, recreation opportunities, and accessible transportation, and other support services
- (viii) consumer information programs on rehabilitation and independent living services available under this Act, especially for minorities and other individuals with disabilities who have traditionally been unserved or underserved by programs under this Act
- (ix) education and training necessary for living in a community and participating in community activities
- (x) supported living,
- (xi) transportation, including referral and assistance for such transportation
- (xii) physical rehabilitation
- (xiii) therapeutic treatment
- (xiv) provision of needed prostheses and other appliances and devices
- (xv) individual and group social and recreational services
- (xvi) training to develop skills specifically designed for youths who are individuals with disabilities to promote self-awareness and esteem, develop advocacy and self-empowerment skills, and explore career options
- (xvii) services for children
- (xviii) services under Federal, State, or local programs designed to provide resources, training, counseling, or other assistance, of substantial benefit in enhancing the independence, productivity, and quality of life of individuals with disabilities
- (xix) appropriate preventive services to decrease the need of individuals

- assisted under this Act for similar services in the future
- (xx) community awareness programs to enhance the understanding and integration into society of individuals with disabilities; and
- (xxi) such other services as may be necessary and not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act

[P.L. 102-569, 106 STAT. 4353-4, cf. 29 USC 706(30)]

*Individual With a Severe Disability*

For the purposes of title VII, the term 'individual with a severe disability' means an individual with a severe physical or mental impairment whose ability to function independently in the family or community or whose ability to obtain, maintain, or advance in employment is substantially limited and for whom the delivery of independent living services will improve the ability to function, continue functioning, or move towards functioning independently in the family or community or to continue in employment, respectively.

[P.L. 102-569, 106 STAT. 4350, cf. 29 USC 706(15)]

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1996**

**REVISION FORM**

Please update any necessary changes to your listing in the *Resource Manual* on this page. This form is a self-addressed mailer--please fold, secure closed and attach stamp before mailing. Or you may FAX this update sheet to (520) 523-9127, attention Priscilla Sanderson. The AIRRTC staff appreciates your time in completing this form.

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1996 Agency name \_\_\_\_\_

Agency is no longer in operation  New name or address (list below)

New agency name \_\_\_\_\_

New agency address \_\_\_\_\_  
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New telephone number (Voice) \_\_\_\_\_

(TDD) \_\_\_\_\_

(Toll-free) \_\_\_\_\_

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Add new services provided \_\_\_\_\_  
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❖ Enclose/fax your organization's brochure.  
❖ If your organization has provided IL services to at least 10 American Indians/  
Alaska Natives with severe disabilities, please complete the information  
below. An AIRRTC staff person will call you for details.

Agency name \_\_\_\_\_

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